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Cabinet to vote Ma'ale Adumim funds over leftist objections

By MARK SEGAL
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TEL AVIV. — The Cabinet is expected today to allocate state funds to establish Jerusalem's new industrial zone at Ma'ale Adumim. The Labour Party's main leadership has finally adopted a stand in favour of proceeding with the Cabinet-approved scheme, following a campaign mounted against implementation spearheaded by Mapam and Labour leftists.

Government sources yesterday revealed that a committee comprising Premier Yitzhak Rabin, Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Minister-without-portfolio Israel Galili and Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev has resolved to allocate IL10m. for development projects at Ma'ale Adumim, which lies half-way between the Capital and the Dead Sea.

The meeting, held in Jerusalem on Wednesday night, resolved that the IL10m. will be allocated for the current fiscal year ending March 31. This will remove the ground from beneath charges of unauthorised usage of funds by the Israel Lands Authority and the Jewish National Fund for basic development works. Such criticism has been explicit in charges levelled by Mapam Health Minister Victor Shemtov and implicit in remarks made by Jewish Agency chairman Pinhas Sapir.

The same government sources firmly denied that there had been any intention of diverting development funds to Ma'ale Adumim from development towns such as Kiryat Shmona. Labour sources wondered why Shemtov and his Labour Party leftist allies never complained about the huge funds taken from Galilee development for Greater Tel Aviv.

The Labour Party's Ben-Gurion ideological circle last night denounced these complaining groups as hypocritical, noting that the same groups that attacked settlement bids in Samaria for being unauthorised were now campaigning against plans which have been approved by the Government.

A request for an urgent Knesset debate on the topic has been tabled by Knesset Labour Committee Chairman Shoshana Arbelit-Almoslino.

In a letter to the Speaker, she dwelt on "the need for strengthening Jerusalem's economy and enlarging its Jewish population by broadening its sources of employment. This means expediting development works in Ma'ale Adumim scheduled to be Jerusalem's industrial zone... Of late certain persons and political groups have tried to frighten residents of Galilee by disseminating misinformation that Ma'ale Adumim will be at their expense. This is contrary to the facts... There is no greater need than setting the record straight from the Knesset podium and to put an end to a campaign aimed at preventing implementation of the Government decision on forming the industrial zone and residential neighbourhood at Ma'ale Adumim, just because it is beyond the Green Line."

Members of the Ma'ale Adumim settlers' group have called on the mayors of development towns to support their petition to divert population and industry from the centre of the country to less developed areas.

They published a statement regretting the mayors' complaints that the project would minimize resources available to the development towns.

The statement reads: "We believe that the industrialization and settlement of Ma'ale Adumim need not interfere with the growth and advancement of development towns, but that it must be done at the expense of ... the centre of the country... We suggest that the mayors of development towns join us in asking the government to halt population and industrialization of the centre, and thus divert undiminished human resources and means of production to increasing the Jewish population of the Galilee, developing the Negev, and making Jerusalem secure by building another development area in Ma'ale Adumim."

In his attack on the Ma'ale Adumim plan, Jewish Agency chairman Pinhas Sapir said last week that "it was not to the Government's credit" to have asked the Agency for IL1.5m. for the project. Mr. Sapir told a Tel Aviv meeting of civic leaders of the North African community that funds should not be diverted from northern development towns to Ma'ale Adumim, which he said would cost tens of millions of pounds.

Commenting on Mr. Sapir's opposition to the project, Labour MK Mordechai Ben-Porat said on Friday night, that in his many years as Finance Minister, Sapir had all the means to pour money undisturbed into developing Galilee and the north. "But," Ben-Porat told an audience in Sapir's home town of Kfar Saba, "apparently the money found its way instead to Vaduz."

Meanwhile, JNF expenditure so far on the project was put at IL200,000 by JNF director-general Shimon Beit-Shemesh. Mr. Beit-Shemesh told an Israel Radio interviewer on Friday that most of the work had been on building the main road at Ma'ale Adumim, and that another IL800,000-IL900,000 would probably be spent by March 31, the end of the current fiscal year.

The head of the Ramat Hasharon Local Council, Pesah Belkin, on Friday offered to transfer his town's payments from the Authority for the rest of the fiscal year to the Ma'ale Adumim project, in order that it not be held up for lack of funds. He told "Ttim" that about IL500,000 is involved.

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A pleasant walk along the Lebanese border on a quiet morning last week by a group from Kibbutz Misgav Am. (IPPA)

Gur warns of coming danger from Saudia

THE CHIEF OF Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, believes that the fighter aircraft deals between the U.S. and Saudi Arabia and Iran and Jordan are not yet of any decisive importance. However, Israel must keep a close watch on Saudi Arabia's build-up, he told an interviewer on the IDF radio service, Galei Zahal, on Friday evening.

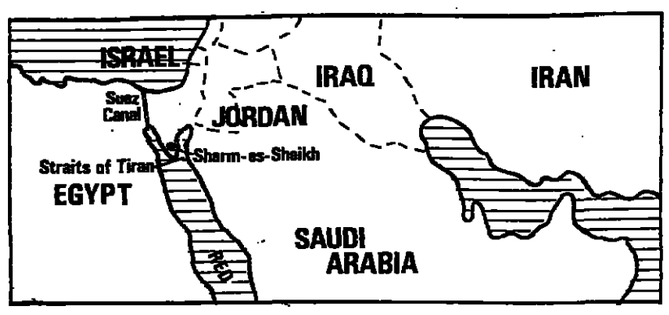
The Saudis are pushing ahead at an impressive pace with the construction of bases in the northern part of their country and in the future their army may threaten southern Israel and Sinai. At present Saudi Arabia is not a danger, but if its build-up continues it could become a highly significant factor which Israel cannot ignore, he said. Saudi Arabia has so far not taken an active role in the war against Israel but maintains an expeditionary force in Jordan, on the south-eastern shore of the Dead Sea, Gur said.

The CoS also said that the IDF is watching the build-up in Jordan's military strength, in tanks, armoured personnel carriers and aircraft. The Jordanian Army is already in good fighting shape and Israel cannot ignore the recent supply of aircraft, although it has not had a decisive effect on the balance of power.

Referring to the reports of a military agreement between Syria and Lebanon, Gur stressed that if forces or weapons from another Arab state are deployed in Lebanon, Israel will have to treat that country as "a confrontation state."

Gur said that any terrorist crossing the northern border "is condemning himself to death." He admitted that the border was not hermetically sealed but the army was successful in foiling almost all the terrorists' operations.

He said that the settlements in the north had learned to live with the existing conditions. The civilian population together with the army and the police had formed a "fairly strong" defence belt around these settlements, he said. *(Itim)*



Four hurt in ambush from Fatahland

Jerusalem Post Staff

FOUR SOLDIERS were wounded yesterday morning when terrorists ambushed their half-track on the road to Har Dov, on the slopes of Mount Hermon.

The terrorists did not cross the border but attacked the IDF patrol from across the fence, pouring automatic fire and bazooka shells into the vehicle.

IDF artillery returned the fire and laid down an hour-long barrage along possible escape routes near the Lebanese village of Shuba in Fatahland. The terrorists used the foggy weather as cover for their ambush and escape.

The attack was the first in the area. It conformed to a pattern used several times by terrorists in the Fatahland area recently — shooting at IDF patrols from across the border. This is attributed by military circles to the effectiveness of the border obstacles and of the measures for catching those terrorists who manage to cross.

The four injured soldiers were treated at a nearby first-aid station and then flown to Haifa's Rambam Government Hospital.

A security source in the north said yesterday the terrorists had trained special small squads in Syria to carry out these across-the-border ambushes.

There were no incidents in other sectors of the northern frontier.

Lebanese news media yesterday reported that the Israeli fire had also hit targets near the Fatahland villages of Hamam and Rashaya el-Fuhar (which lie near Shuba).

The army spokesman declined comment on the Beirut reports. But a military source quoted by UPI, said, "If the Lebanese were hit, they should know about it." He added that the reported shelling would be an outcome of the terrorist attack on the IDF patrol.

Our Middle East Affairs Correspondent adds:

This was the first reported Israel shelling in the region in a week. The barrage coincided with a meeting in Beirut between Lebanese President Suleiman Franjieh and his Defence Minister Joseph Skaf. No details on the meeting were disclosed and Beirut Radio said only that they "discussed defence matters."

The Franjieh-Skaf meeting followed an announcement on Friday that Lebanon is to ask Arab states to convene a high-level conference to discuss what was termed "the repeated Israel attacks on Lebanon."

The idea is said to have been suggested by the Lebanese Parliament's Defence and Foreign Relations committees.

Reports from Beirut over the weekend said that the Government has appealed to Lebanese newspapers to exercise caution in reporting on last week's talks in northern Lebanon between Franjieh and Syrian President Hafez Assad. The request was reported to have been made after Beirut's "Al-Yom" said that the two sides agreed to have a Syrian Mig squadron and missiles stationed in Lebanon. Lebanese Premier Rashid Solh has cast doubts on the report while noting that the pact concluded between Franjieh and Assad was "strictly confidential."

Syria wants to participate in 2nd-stage talks

By ANAN SAFADI, POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

U.S. PRESIDENT Gerald Ford and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger have been conducting extensive correspondence with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in advance of the talks Foreign Minister Yigal Allon will hold on Thursday in Washington, it was learned last night.

Though focused on how to achieve a second stage settlement between Egypt and Israel, the Washington-Cairo communications were reported to also concern Sadat's insistence that future negotiations include other Arab fronts, primarily Syria.

The Syrians yesterday were described as pressuring Sadat to turn down any offer for a separate settlement with Israel. The Syrian Government-owned newspaper, "Al-Thawra," demanded setting a timetable for a Middle East settlement in order to end what it called continued stalling by the Israelis.

"We shall not allow any person to impose a project that serves only his own interests," the paper said, obviously expressing Syria's objection to unilateral moves by Sadat.

In a dispatch from Cairo yesterday, UPI said that plans are being made for Sadat's visit to the U.S., France and Japan this month. Quoting diplomatic sources in Cairo, the agency said that Sadat will go to Paris on January 25, then on to Washington and then Tokyo.

An unconfirmed report by the Beirut-based Arab News Agency yesterday said that U.S. Vice-President Nelson Rockfeller will visit Cairo this month. The report said Rockfeller will make a "fact-finding" tour to 10 Arab states and Israel.

The Arab News Agency said President Ford decided on the Rockefeller tour because of angry Arab reaction to Kissinger's remarks on the possible use of force against oil-producing Arab states.

If true, Rockfeller's visit to Cairo will climax one of Cairo's busiest diplomatic months in many years. Reports from Beirut said Saudi Arabia's King Faisal, who is due to visit Syria and Jordan this week, will also meet with Sadat in Cairo.

Sadat yesterday spent his fourth day with the visiting Shah of Iran. The Middle East News Agency reported that the two leaders have agreed on a joint political strategy, while stressing the Shah's support for the Arabs' call for a complete Israel withdrawal from the administered areas, the rights of the "Palestinian people," and "the Arabism" of Jerusalem. The Shah will conclude his five-day visit today.

U.S. thinks Israel is stalling

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — American officials regard recent private statements by Israel officials calling for a return Kissinger visit to the Middle East as a delaying tactic until the Israel Government comes up with new proposals to forward to Egypt, according to Friday's "New York Times."

Diplomatic correspondent Bernard Gwertzman said that "relations between Israel and the U.S. have entered another potentially difficult period." He added that Washington and Jerusalem "are at odds over how to achieve another agreement."

The front-page story appears to confirm recent press reports emanating from Washington, publicly denied by top Israel officials, that Washington may be pressuring Israel to offer additional concessions to Egypt in order to achieve another accord in Sinai.

Gwertzman said that Kissinger continues to believe that Israel is "short-sighted in not moving more rapidly toward agreement with her Arab neighbours."

The report in the "Times" comes only one week after a column by syndicated columnist Jack Anderson which alleged that Kissinger blamed Israel for the current stalemate during a White House meeting with congressional leaders in December.

According to the "Times," top American officials believe that Egypt will not agree to another accord with Israel unless the Abu Rodeis oil fields and the Mitla and Gidi passes are returned. Israel, so far, has refused to make such concessions, unless Egypt agrees to considerably more concomitant political concessions than it has agreed to until now.

Iran would 'never' ban oil exports

TEHERAN (Reuter). — Iranian Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveida said yesterday that his country would "never join an oil embargo" in the event of a new Arab-Israel war.

Speaking at a press conference after being elected Secretary-General of the ruling Iran-Novin (New Iran) Party, he rejected suggestions of use of oil as a political weapon.

Mr. Hoveida said the French Government's decision to revalue its gold reserves would have "no effect on Iranian purchasing power."

Sparkman calls for separate West Bank state

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Sen. John Sparkman, incoming chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, expressed the hope in an interview with the "Philadelphia Inquirer" published on Friday that the next step in the Middle East negotiations between Israel and the Arabs might include Syria, as well as Egypt. Sparkman also said that he advocates the establishment of a separate Palestinian state on the West Bank "as a new country."

The Senator, who only last week wrote a letter to Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinitz pledging his support for Israel, made these other points in the interview:

- The U.S. and the Soviet Union should jointly support a guaranteed peace settlement in the Middle East.
- Israel's security should be guaranteed in a new treaty signed by the U.S., Israel, Egypt, Syria and possibly Jordan.
- The holy places in Jerusalem should be internationalized.

Sparkman did not accept the idea of the PLO as the representative of the Palestinians, because its officials are "revolutionaries and terrorists."

Rostropovich and wife here

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — The celebrated Russian cellist and conductor, Mstislav Rostropovich—who has left the Soviet Union because of his liberal views — arrived yesterday evening for a number of concerts with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

Rostropovich was preceded by his wife, Galina Vishnevskaya, the singer, who arrived on Friday from Frankfurt bringing her husband's rare Stradivarius cello.

The artist said he had incurred the displeasure of the Soviet authorities because of his contacts with liberal circles in the Soviet art world and had not been allowed to leave the Soviet Union for some time.

Rostropovich will appear in Tel Aviv this evening with the Israel Philharmonic. On Monday, he will conduct the orchestra with his wife appearing as vocalist. Galina Vishnevskaya will give a solo recital in Jerusalem on Tuesday, with her husband accompanying her on the piano. *(Itim)*

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The U.S. Air Force has picked General Dynamics' YF-16 as its new lightweight jet fighter, making the Texas firm the probable winner in one of the biggest and most hotly contested contract battles ever. The choice must still be approved by the Pentagon.

Rabin arbitrates defence budget

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

PRIME MINISTER Yitzhak Rabin decided on Friday that the local-currency component of the defence budget in 1975/76 will be IL10.8b. This should terminate a dispute between the Defence Ministry, which asked for IL13.5b., and the Treasury, which would only agree to IL8.5b. The allocation will be confirmed in the Cabinet today.

Expenditure in the current fiscal year (calculated at pre-devaluation prices) is believed to amount to IL8.7b. In order to maintain the same pace of activity in the coming budget year, the armed forces would need IL12.6b. The budget as approved by the Prime Minister therefore means a cut (in real terms) of 15 per cent.

On the other hand, arms imports will increase. Defence expenditure in foreign currency was $1,086m. in 1973/74, and will be $1,380m. next year, officials state.

Maki to review Zionist ideology

TEL AVIV. — Maki — the Israel Communist Party — is to hold a series of "ideological clarifications" among its rank-and-file members on the question of "Zionism and the Jewish people." This was decided at a party convention held here yesterday.

The delegates failed to reach a consensus on another question: whether to merge with Maki's partner in the Moked list: the "Blue-White" (Zionist New Left) group. Central Committee member Avraham Berman called for the retention of Maki as a "Communist party defending the rights of Israel in international leftist circles."

But Central Committee chairman Raoul Teitelbaum argued in favour of a full merger, saying that the party should not cling to outmoded frameworks but "advance ideas." *(Itim)*

German aid for Jordan

AMMAN (Reuter). — West Germany will give Jordan technical aid worth 1,600,000 marks (about IL4m.) under an agreement signed here yesterday.

The aim of the agreement is to develop the mechanical engineering services of the Royal Academy of Science, it was announced.

Egged members get IL500 pay hike

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Egged management has decided to raise the monthly pay of cooperative members from IL2,607 to IL3,108.50 gross, retroactive to December, 1974. The decision came last Thursday night after a number of members from Egged branches in Herzliya, Kfar Saba and Netanya threatened to strike if the pay was not raised to at least IL2,500 net (about IL4,000-4,500 gross).

The Golomb Committee, which was formed by the Transport Ministry to evaluate production costs and fares, will most likely have to decide if the cooperative members' salaries are not too high. The committee will determine this at the end of the month.

Committee chairman David Golomb, head of the Koor Planning and Development Division, yesterday declined to say whether his committee would go into the specific question of the hike.

In addition to the monthly wage, Egged members receive dividends on their share in the cooperative and several other benefits of financial value.

Snow keeps ski-slope closed

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ROSH PINA. — A heavy snowstorm on Friday forced postponement — for the third weekend in a row — of the opening of the Mount Hermon ski slopes to the public. About 1,000 disappointed skiers had to be turned away, after long waits.

The snowstorm closed roads to the ski run, and it took many hours of work by the ski-run operators and by army tractors before the first vehicle could reach the site. The snow was 35 cms. at the bottom of Mt. Hermon, but much higher at the top. The operators said they will open today if there is no further snowstorm.

Fahmy only against 'forced immigration'

BEIRUT (AFP). — Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy, explaining an earlier statement that any overall Middle East settlement would have to include the cessation of immigration to Israel for the next 50 years, said on Friday that he had not alluded to the right of individuals to emigrate from one country to another. His statement referred to "collective, obligatory immigration, organized through pressure and coercion," he said in an interview with "Al-Hawadeth."

TWO DIE IN STOLEN CAR JOY-RIDE

BEERSHEBA. — A joy-ride in a stolen car ended in the death of two Beersheba youths here on Friday evening when they collided with a truck near Moshav Gilat.

David Shoshan, 16, and his soldier friend, 18-year-old Binyamin Cohen, are alleged to have taken the car without permission from a garage in the street where Shoshan lived. With Shoshan at the wheel, the car, reportedly travelling at a high speed, collided with a truck driven by Eliahu Samajia, 23.

Shoshan was killed instantly, while his soldier companion died on the way to hospital. The truck driver, who was unhurt, was questioned. *(Itim)*

Top English soccer club to play here

TEL AVIV. — Israel football fans will be treated to another visit by a top-notch English club next week, with the appearance here of Manchester City against the Israel national team.

The crack English First Division side will play Israel at the Bloomfield Stadium on Tuesday, January 21.

NURSING HOMES CHARGES

Bergman, back in NY, files libel suit

By WOLF I. BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Bernard Bergman, the nursing homes operator, is now reported to have returned to New York. He has filed a $1m. lawsuit in Federal District Court alleging that his constitutional rights were being violated by State Assemblyman Andrew J. Stein, Assistant State Welfare Inspector-General William D. Cabin and "New York Times" investigative reporter John L. Hess.

The suit alleges that the three men were presenting "an unremitting barrage of unfair, inaccurate, maliciously false and prejudiced press conferences, innuendos and anonymous allegations of improprieties and criminal acts by the plaintiff."

Bergman, who earlier had been reported to be in Israel or in Austria, denied allegations that his operations involved a "syndicate" of nursing homes, or that he practised Medicaid fraud and was connected with organized crime.

Bergman's associates released a statement on Friday saying in part: "Dr. Bergman, who has recently returned from a trip abroad, is prepared to meet any allegations made regarding himself and his business operations in the appropriate manner prescribed by law."

Bergman has been subpoenaed to appear on January 21 before a Senate subcommittee investigating the nursing homes scandal. On Friday, New York State Governor Hugh Carey appointed former Brandeis University President Morris B. Abram as chairman of a special State commission to investigate and propose nursing home reforms. Carey also appointed Charles Hynes to head a criminal investigation into alleged fraudulent and abusive practices in the industry.

"I believe we can beat the Watergate record," Carey told a news conference when asked how quickly he expected results. "For them (Abram and Hynes) this will be a full-time effort, and we expect that for us it will mark the end of what appears to be unconscionable abuse of the rights, but especially the comfort and health, of our most respected citizens."

Assemblyman Stein said on Friday that he welcomed Bergman's statement "that he has finally returned to the U.S. and is now presumably prepared to meet the allegations made against him."

Regarding the lawsuit against him, Stein said that his "vital work will not be deterred by this or any other action."

Last September, reporter Hess began publishing a series of articles in the "Times" about alleged nursing homes abuses and Bergman's "syndicate" which is reported to represent a monopoly of the industry. Stein and Cabin later began their own investigations.

Bergman, an ordained rabbi, is one of three members of the Mizrachi World Presidium.

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Nehariya	67	12—15	12—15
Safad	97	4—6	4—7
Haifa Port	—	— —	10—14
Tiberias	92	10—14	10—16
Nazareth	87	7—11	7—12
Afula	57	10—14	8—15
Shomron	67	6—9	6—10
Tel Aviv	69	11—14	9—15
B-G Airport	78	8—15	8—18
Jericho	47	8—16	8—18
Gaza	75	9—15	9—16
Beersheba	91	8—11	7—13
Eilat	33	10—18	10—20
Tiran Straits	34	13—20	13—21

Social and Personal

A delegation of Italian civic leaders from Milan and the region of *Lombardy called on Histadrut* Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel on Friday. The delegation is headed by Milan Mayor Carlo Toniolo and Lombardy Regional Council Chairman Gino Colombo. Also in the delegation was the president of the Italian Partisans' Organization, Giuseppe Tranaloro.

Fashion Furs — Rosen's Fur Salon, 72 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, Tel. 615990. *(Advt.)*

ARRIVALS

The Mayor of Haifa, Mr. Yosef Almogi, from a visit to West Germany, where he was a guest of the Government of North Rhine Westphalia.

Mr. Danny Kaye, the entertainer, for a number of appearances here on behalf of the Soldiers' Welfare Committee (by Air France).

Bolshevik friend of Trotsky on way here

VIENNA (Reuter). — Maria Yoffe, the 75-year-old widow of a leading Bolshevik revolutionary who backed Leon Trotsky against Stalin in the 1920s, has arrived here on her way to Israel as an emigrant.

According to Jewish Agency officials Mrs. Yoffe, *who arrived on* Friday, said she had found it very hard to decide to emigrate from Russia, after devoting so many years of her life to the Communist cause.

Mrs. Yoffe, a Communist activist in her youth, spent 26 years in labour camps between 1929 and 1956, after being convicted of opposition activity within the party.

Her husband, Adolf Yoffe, was a close colleague of Trotsky and was elected one of the 22 members of the Bolshevik (Communist) Party's central committee in July 1917, a few months before the October Revolution.

He later became one of the Soviet state's first diplomats and was ambassador to Germany, Japan and China before shooting himself in November 1927, in protest against the expulsion of Trotsky from the Communist Party.

Y. Horowitz dies at 74

TEL AVIV. — Author and journalist Dr. Ya'acov Horowitz, long-time literary editor of "Ha'aretz" and early Hashomer Hatzair pioneer, died here on Thursday night, aged 74. He had been in Ichilov Hospital since suffering a heart attack the previous week.

Born in eastern Galicia to a noted rabbinical family, Horowitz had a religious education at home and gained *his Ph.D. in Vienna*, where he studied chemistry and philosophy. He came to Eretz Yisrael in 1919, with his Hashomer Hatzair friend and mentor Meir Ya'ari, and was among those who went to the aid of Tel Hai.

After working as a watchman and as a road and building worker, Horowitz was sent back to Vienna for treatment of chronic malaria he contracted from sleeping on the Tel Aviv beach. On his return he was active in literary life, publishing short stories and novels and participating in literary journalism while supporting himself through selling insurance. From 1943 he devoted himself entirely to literature.

He leaves his wife and daughter.

Bichonski goes on partial hunger strike

HAIFA.—Yoram Bichonski, suspect in the slaying of the girl soldier Rahel Heller, has started a "partial" hunger strike in his detention cell in the Acre police lock-up.

The Northern Police District Spokesman, Sgan-Nitzav Arie Amikam, told "Itim" last night that Bichonski is refusing to eat solids but is drinking large quantities of tea, coffee and hot chocolate.

Although the police have imposed strict secrecy on the case, "Itim" learns that the investigation is centring on a conversation between Bichonski and a second suspect, Mazal Mizrahi, which was recorded without their knowledge in their cell in the Yagur lockup three weeks ago. Bichonski and the girl allegedly tried to coordinate their respective statements to the police.

Soviet wants tension to continue: Rabin

WASHINGTON (AP). — The Soviet Union wants to maintain tension in the Middle East, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said in a television interview filmed in Jerusalem. Peace can come only through direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states, Mr. Rabin added.

"I wouldn't say the Russians' purpose is the destruction of Israel, but the prevention of conditions conducive to peace," Rabin told the Christian Broadcasting Network.

The Prime Minister called upon the Western countries to be strong, and said neither Moscow nor the Arab states would negotiate with a weak Israel. "In advancing the cause of peace, one has to be strong."

The interview was conducted by Dr. M. G. Robertson, a Baptist Minister, and shown Friday on television in Portsmouth, Virginia. It will be broadcast again next Friday over 20 stations affiliated with the network.

Rabin said Israel is prepared to "give back large areas now under our *control," but will not pull back to* pre-1967 borders.

"I don't buy they'll make peace with Israel if the territories are returned, even if they say — and they don't say — they'll make peace with Israel as a viable Jewish, independent state."

Rabin stressed that Israel would return some of the land it occupied during the 1967 war only if this led to a "true structure of peace with the Arab nations."

Rabin said, "from 1948 to 1967 we were not in occupation of one inch of Syrian soil. The West Bank was under the control of the Jordanians, the Gaza Strip was under the control of the Egyptians, Jerusalem was divided and for 19 years peace was not achieved."

Herut convention in Kiryat Arba tonight

Jerusalem Post Staff

The controversial 12th Herut national convention opens tonight at Kiryat Arba, the Jewish quarter outside of Hebron, with a guest list headed by President Ephraim Katzir.

The keynote speech will be delivered by party founder and chairman Menahem Begin, preceded by opening remarks from Herut Executive Chairman Haim Landau.

A number of Cabinet Ministers have also accepted invitations to attend. They include Defence Minister Shimon Peres, Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan and Religious Affairs Minister Yitzhak Raphael. A Herut spokesman reported that Jewish Agency Chairman Pinhas Sapir and Moshe Dayan MK have also promised to attend. It was not yet clear yesterday whether former Foreign Minister Abba Eban would attend. An earlier report of his acceptance of the Herut invitation was denied last week.

The left-wing parties, headed by Mapam, as well as Labour Party doves, have criticized the Government for allowing Herut to hold a political convention in the administered areas and have urged the President and the invited coalition party politicians not to attend.

After the formal opening in Hebron, the convention will move tomorrow to party headquarters at Beit Jabotinsky in Tel Aviv.

Speaking in Israel Radio's Weekly Newsreel yesterday, Herut Youth Division chairman Ronnie Milikovsky said the young Herut members would submit a proposal for the total merger of the parties forming the Likud. He said that although the young Herut members formed 25 per cent of the convention's delegates, they were underrepresented in the party's institutions.

But Milikovsky and other Youth leaders said that although they were sharply critical of the party's handling of organizational matters and "public relations," there were no ideological differences between them and the party's veteran leadership headed by Mr. Begin.

Cabinet could fall on Sinai pullback: Rimalt

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Liberal Party chairman Elimelech Rimalt said on Friday that "should the Rabin Government give up the Abu Rodeis oilfields and the strategic Sinai passes of the Mitla and the Jidi in return for vague and ambiguous formulae, then that Government will surely fall."

Dr. Rimalt told a party meeting here that capitulation in Sinai would be followed by similar submission on the Golan Heights. The internal political ramifications, especially inside the Labour Alignment, would cause the Government to fall.

He was convinced that public opinion in Israel would awaken to the fraudulent agreement. Dr. Rimalt urged that Israel go to the Geneva Conference and there demand clarifications of what kind of peace was envisaged by the Arabs.

Dr. Rimalt attacked the Government for not insisting on direct negotiations with Egypt and accused the Rabin Cabinet of being afraid of these discussions, although in the end it would go to Geneva after making unnecessary and far-reaching concessions with nothing in return.

Free Centre chairman Shmuel Tamir warned on Friday that without the Abu Rodeis oilfields Israel would be totally and dangerously dependent on foreign sources for oil. He spoke up for far-reaching concessions but only in exchange for a real peace settlement, and opposed any pullback that was not anchored in contractual peace treaties. He was answering questions at a meeting with 12th grade pupils of the Tel Aviv High School Heh.

Tamir stressed that if the Government was correct in claiming that there were no American pressures then there was certainly no justification for a unilateral withdrawal that would only tempt the Arabs to make even bigger demands shortly afterwards. However, if the U.S. was exerting pressure, then Israel should come out in the open and appeal to the American public. He warned that giving up the Mitla and Jidi passes without peace would impose on Israel an even heavier military burden, extend defence lines, increase the reserve service burden, and incur frequent mobilization calls involved in defending much less convenient defence lines.

Dulzin: Israel not giving true picture abroad

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Cabinet ministers are giving the wrong excuse for Israel's poor public relations abroad, according to Jewish Agency Treasurer Arye Dulzin.

Speaking at the Engineers' Club here on Friday, Mr. Dulzin said the excuse for Israel's poor image abroad was shortage of funds, as compared with the vast sums available to the Arab propaganda machines. But, he argued, an important factor was that Israel is not giving the true picture of the Middle East dispute.

Mr. Dulzin said Israel should explain that the Palestinians have their state, Jordan, and the Jews have a state. Until 1946 Jordanians travelled on Palestinian passports, he noted.

Jews are not the only immigrants here. An official British document *said 60 per cent of the Arabs in* Palestine in 1925 were immigrants or offspring of immigrants. Mr. Dulzin said the Zionist development projects had attracted them.

He said only five per cent of the Palestinians — some 100,000-150,000 — are in dispersion, mostly in Lebanon, Syria and Kuwait. But, on the other hand, there are 14 million Jews living outside Israel.

Speaking of fund-raising, Mr. Dulzin estimated that contributions to the UJA in 1975 will be lower than in 1973 but not less than in 1974. Yasser Arafat's speech at the U.N. and "the classical anti-Semitic remarks" by the U.S. Chief of Staff, General George Brown, have strengthened Jews' allegiance to Israel.

ILP call on taxes

TEL AVIV. — The executive of the Independent Liberal Party resolved on Friday to demand the application of tax reform from April 1. This will involve cancellation of all compulsory loans, updating tax rates *in line with changes in the c-o-l* allowance payment since November 1971, application of the Value Added Tax, and elimination of tax relief on fictional expenses.

Sweets and soft drinks go up

Refrigerators, sweets and steel cable are among the items on which price-rises were authorized last week by the Public Prices Committee. The highest rises — to 37 per cent — were on items containing sugar, such as candy, soft drinks and ice cream.

On Friday the Committee approved rises on:

- Electric refrigerators (Amcor) — 10 to 14.8 per cent (without sales tax), depending on model.
- Guard and security services — 11.6 per cent.
- Knitting wool — 19.5 per cent.
- Steel cable — 21 per cent.

In the previous few days the Committee had also approved rises on:

- Soda water in small bottles — 20 per cent.
- Flavoured soft drinks in small bottles — 37 per cent.
- Non-carbonated soft drinks — 24 per cent.
  (no rises for family-size bottled soft drinks on which maximum prices have already been set).
- Chocolate and sweets (except Elite popular-priced chocolate) — an average of 6.9 per cent, and *no more* than 15 per cent per item (no change in already-fixed price of popular-priced chocolate).
- Ice-cream (Whitman and Strauss) — 36.5 per cent.

Meshel to meet El Al mechanics

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel is to visit the El Al maintenance workers at their workshops at Ben-Gurion Airport this evening and meet with *their staff committee*. The visit is part of a series of moves aimed at restoring proper relations between the labour federation and the airline mechanics.

Meanwhile, the negotiations between *the El Al management* and the maintenance workers, with the participation of Transport Ministry and Histadrut representatives, are reported to be continuing smoothly. At a meeting on Friday, the second *such meeting* since El Al resumed its flights last Sunday, some of the 15 main demands of the maintenance workers were discussed. These include requests for grade promotions and questions connected with the norms of work teams.

The maintenance workers are also demanding the setting up of a committee authorized to look into the entire background of the labour dispute between them and the El Al management which led to the national airline's being grounded for nine days.

Teachers strike in Capital school

Some 650 pupils at the State Elementary School in Jerusalem's French Hill are to begin an unplanned vacation today because of a teachers' strike.

The teachers' committee decided on Friday to strike today because, *despite repeated appeals to the Municipality*, there was still no fence around the school grounds, which is covered with pits and potholes — and this more than a year after the school opened. They also claim the school grounds are situated above a steep drop to the valley below and the children play there at their peril.

A Municipality official told "Itim" that the teachers are essentially right, but that the building contractor had not completed his job. Meanwhile, the Municipality would try to borrow police barriers for the school until a fence could be built.

A teachers' spokesman said last night the strike would continue "as long as necessary." *(Itim)*

Zarmi deadline on party finances

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Labour Party Secretary-General Meir Zarmi has given the party a deadline — the end of this week — to set its fin*ancial affairs in order*, otherwise he will resign and return to his kibbutz, Ma'ayan Zvi.

It was learnt last night that Zarmi's fellow-leaders of the Ihud Hakvutzot Vehakibbutzim have formally adopted a resolution releasing him from his commitment to the top party job if his demands are not met.

Mr. Zarmi wants a consolidation of the party's debts still remaining from the last election campaign. Part of the difficulty, it is said, results from tension between Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz and Bank Hapoalim chairman Ya'acov Levinson.

It was champagne and flowers when Jerusalem Betar played at their home ground yesterday for the first time this season. The team had been forced to play away as punishment for the riotous behaviour of their supporters in a game at Petah Tikva last season. Picture shows Yossi Sorinov, right, Betar's goalkeeper, getting his champagne and flowers. The team's Youth 11 were also given gifts from fans. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Netanya Maccabi tops League; Shimshon T.A. drops five places

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Netanya Maccabi, last season's champions, yesterday went to the top of the National League for the first time this season after beating Tel Aviv Shimshon *1:0 in Netanya*.

Shimshon, which was top of the League for many weeks but has lost its last two matches, yesterday dropped five places in the League as a result of a lone goal headed in by Victor Saroussi.

Kfar Saba Hapoel, 2:1 winners over Petah Tikva Hapoel, are level with Netanya Maccabi on points, and Beersheba Hapoel, 2:1 victors over Bnei Yehuda, continue to share the pacemarkers.

Haifa Hapoel, held to a 0:0 draw at home by Jerusalem Hapoel, and Shimshon are now two points behind the leaders.

At the other end of the table, Tel Aviv Hapoel has extricated itself from the last two relegation spots with its second consecutive win, yesterday edging out Hadera Hapoel 1:0.

The shock result of the day was the Jerusalem Betar home defeat 1:2 by Ramat Gan Hakoah, at the YMCA Stadium in the Capital.

At the half-way stage in the League season, the favourites for the championship, Netanya Maccabi, are back on top. The disappointments of the season have been Tel Aviv Maccabi and Petah Tikva Hapoel, in 12th and 13th places respectively. After extremely poor starts, Tel Aviv Betar and Tel Aviv Hapoel are on the upgrade.

Seven thousand fans braved the rain in Netanya for the match of the day, which was evenly and hard fought. David Shukiyan was the Shimshon schemer and pushed his forwards into frequent attacks on the Netanya Maccabi goal, but the Bar brothers, Shraga and Haim, played outstanding games in the Netanya defence. The game swung from end to end. The decisive goal was laid on by Mordechai Spiegler, *who lifted a centre, and Oded* Machness headed the ball on to Saroussi, who nodded it in to score the most crucial goal of the season.

Kfar Saba Hapoel produced championship-style football for the first 20 minutes in Petah Tikva. This was rewarded by a 5th minute goal scored by Yitzhak Rogeg, who cracked in a shot from 20 metres. After the initial Kfar Saba storm, Petah Tikva Hapoel gained confidence and piled pressure on the visitors' defence. It was against the run of play that Kfar Saba went into a 2:0 lead in the 49th minute, when *Avraham Marchinsky* scored with a fine shot.

Petah Tikva's efforts were finally rewarded in the 85th minute, when Moshe Schweitzer pulled a goal back for the home side, which was weakened by the absence of international-keeper Yitzhak Visoker, who is injured.

Beersheba Hapoel also produced championship calibre football at the Hatikva quarter. Here too the game was much on the pattern of that played in Petah Tikva. Beersheba Hapoel took the lead after six minutes, with a goal by Avraham Numa, and Ya'acov Fulbermiss made it 2:0 after 42 minutes. Bnei Yehuda got a consolation goal with a penalty spot kick two minutes before the end by Alon Subelri after a Beersheba defender was handled. Fulbermiss and the veteran Eliahu Ofer were outstanding for Beersheba.

Jerusalem Betar returned to the YMCA Stadium for the first time this season amidst rain and champagne. But after 90 minutes of muddy football there was little to celebrate about for the Betar fans.

Jerusalem Betar were on top for most of the game but found Hakoah goalkeeper Danny Mano more than a match for the Betar forwards, and the ball just did not run for them. In the 5th minute Artzi Ben-Ya'acov got the champagne corks popping with a goal that put Jerusalem Betar into the lead. But after half an hour Yehuda Sharabani levelled for Hakoah. Betar continued to press. Victor Levy hit the Hakoah crossbar and Danny Neuman saw a certain goal cleared off the goal-line by Hakoah's Danny Heftel.

The enthusiasm of the 5,000 Betar fans was washed out three minutes before the end when Zvi Farkas scored the Hakoah winner from 30 metres out. The game was played in pouring rain.

Tel Aviv Hapoel continued yesterday in the winning form set last week against Hadera Hapoel. The Tel Aviv players showed a new keenness and were always faster on the ball. The winning goal was scored by a youth player, Moshe Migdashi, who was brought into the side in the second half in place of veteran Yeheskiel Hazum. Migdashi showed fine talent, and scored the goal with a shot from 15 metres out. The game was played before 6,000 at the Bloomfield Stadium.

At the same ground, Tel Aviv Betar had no difficulty beating the bottom of the league Petah Tikva Maccabi. The Betar goals were scored by Reuven Nimni, in the 28th minute, Moshe Romano in the 45th and Amos Hassan in the 50th minute. The Petah Tikva Maccabi goal was netted from the penalty spot by Yitzhak Drucker in the 76th minute, after a foul by David Shemesh on Uri Peled.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Netanya Maccabi 1, Shimshon 0
Petah Tikva Hap. 1, Kfar Saba Hap. 2
Bnei Yehuda 1, Beersheba Hapoel 2
Haifa Hapoel 0, Jerusalem Hapoel 0
Tel Aviv Hapoel 1, Hadera Hapoel 0
Jerusalem Betar 1, Hakoah 2
Petah Tikva Mac. 1, Tel Aviv Betar 3
Jaffa Maccabi 1, Tel Aviv Maccabi 0

LEAGUE "A" SOUTH
Holon Hapoel 1, Be'er Ya'acov Hap. 1
Ramat Amidar Maccabi 2, Ness Ziona 1
Ramle Betar 1, Sha'arayim Maccabi 0
Dimona Hapoel 1, Lod Hapoel 0
Ashdod Hapoel 1, Yahud Hapoel 4
Rishon Lezion Hapoel 3, Jaffa Betar 0
Beit Shemesh Hap. 2, Bat Yam Hap. 3
Marmorek Hapoel 2, Ramle Hapoel 1
(game stopped in 84th min.)

LEAGUE "A" NORTH
Ramat Gan Hapoel 3, Nazareth Hap. 1
Hadera Maccabi 0, Nahariya Hapoel 0
Acre Hapoel 2, Kiryat Ata Hapoel 1
Herzliya Hapoel 1, Netanya Betar 1
Safad Hapoel 1, Netanya Hapoel 0
Kiryat Shmona Hap. 5, Herzliya Mac. 1
Tirat Hacarmel Hap. 0, Tiberias Hap. 0
Nahliel Hapoel 0, Haifa Maccabi 3.

Standings, after 15 games

NATIONAL LEAGUE

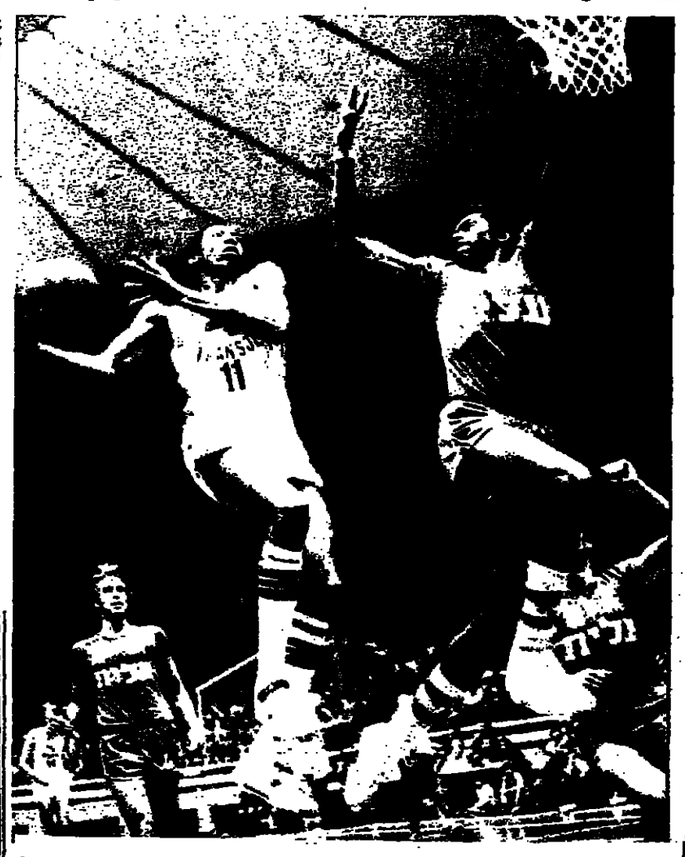
		Goals	Points
1.	Netanya Maccabi	22:16	22
2.	Kfar Saba Hapoel	21:16	21
3.	Beersheba Hapoel	15: 9	20
4.	Haifa Hapoel	21:11	19
5.	Shimshon	16:10	19
6.	Jerusalem Hapoel	15:19	16
7.	Hadera Hapoel	14:13	15
8.	Tel Aviv Betar	19:18	15
9.	Hakoah	17:20	15
10.	Jerusalem Betar	15:14	14
11.	Jaffa Maccabi	18:17	14
12.	Tel Aviv Maccabi	13:16	13
13.	Petah Tikva Hapoel	15:19	13
14.	Tel Aviv Hapoel	10:16	10
15.	Bnei Yehuda	8:19	9
16.	Petah Tikva Maccabi	7:24	7

LEAGUE "A" SOUTH

1.	Rishon Lezion Hapoel	36:13	29
2.	Ramat Amidar Maccabi	28:13	29
3.	Bat Yam Hapoel	25:15	20
4.	Yahud Hapoel	28:10	19
5.	Sha'arayim Maccabi	25:24	17
6.	Dimona Hapoel	15:16	16
7.	Be'er Ya'acov Hapoel	29:23	16
8.	Holon Hapoel	19:19	14
9.	Ramle Betar	13:14	14
10.	Ness Ziona	26:22	16
11.	Lod Hapoel	20:23	14
12.	Ashdod Hapoel	19:23	14
13.	Marmorek Hapoel (14)	16:14	12
14.	Beit Shemesh Hapoel	24:25	12
15.	Ramle Hapoel (14)	13:19	12
16.	Jaffa Betar	11:33	4

LEAGUE "A" NORTH

1.	Haifa Maccabi	29: 5	22
2.	Acre Hapoel	26: 9	21
3.	Ramat Gan Hapoel	25:14	18
4.	Netanya Hapoel	18:18	18
5.	Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel	12:12	16
6.	Hadera Maccabi	18:18	15
7.	Nahariya Hapoel	7: 8	15
8.	Herzliya Maccabi	14:21	15
9.	Netanya Betar	11:11	14
10.	Kiryat Ata Hapoel	10:17	14
11.	Herzliya Hapoel	11:13	13
12.	Nahliel Hapoel	13:17	13
13.	Safad Hapoel	13:26	13
14.	Tiberias Hapoel	10:12	12
15.	Nazareth Hapoel	18:19	12
16.	Kiryat Shmona Hapoel	15:20	12



American star Herman Battle, of Transol of Rotterdam, goes up for a score against Maccabi Tel Aviv's American star, Bill Plese, in Thursday night's quarter-final round of the European club championships. Transol won 91-90, but lost the series by virtue of Maccabi's earlier 94-85 win. The match was played in Tel Aviv. (Sueeskind)

English soccer

LONDON (AP). — The results of English League, Division One, matches played yesterday were:

Arsenal 2, Carlisle 1
Coventry 2, Wolverhampton 1
Derby 2, Liverpool 0
Everton 3, Leicester 0
Ipswich 2, Middlesbrough 0
Leeds 2, West Ham 1
Luton 1, Chelsea 1
Newcastle 2, Tottenham 5
Queen's Park Rangers 4, Burnley 1
Sheffield United 1, Manchester City 1
Stoke 0, Birmingham 0.

Caesarea golf

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

CAESAREA. — Uzi Hacham of Or Akiva and Jonathan Eting of Savyon yesterday won the Better Ball Stableford competition here with 44 points. Jules Cuburnek of Kfar Shmaryahu and Alec Rathouse of Tel Aviv were runners-up with 43 points.

Tamar Harlap of Haifa beat Ze'ev Abraham of Herzliya Pituah two up in the final round of the Trophy competition over 36 holes.

Basketball results

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

Results of National League basketball games played over the weekend:

Givat Brenner-Na'an 82, Tel Aviv Maccabi 99.

Jerusalem Hapoel 74, Givat-Yagur 63.

Man held in death of wife

UPPER NAZARETH. — A 22-year-old housewife, Esther Zachin, was found *shot to death in her flat* here early Friday morning. Her husband, Lucien, 22, who reported her death, has been arrested on suspicion of murder.

Mrs. Zachin was shot twice in the left temple with her husband's revolver, for which he allegedly had no permit. Zachin, under questioning, reportedly said the gun went off while he was toying with it.

According to neighbours, the couple had quarrelled frequently since their marriage about five months ago. *(Itim)*

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IC manager going on 'roving mission' in bid to save stake in Rosenbaum group

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The board of directors of the Israel Corporation gave its new managing director, Mr. Israel Gal-Edd, a mandate here on Friday to sound out other creditors of Tibor Rosenbaum's International Credit Bank on joint action to recover the $8.7m. which the Corporation has sunk in the bank.

Mr. Gal-Edd will now begin a roving mission, which could last several weeks, in order to establish whether assets are available to salvage International Credit and the Israel Corporation's stake in it.

The new move was announced, after a six-hour board meeting, in a Corporation statement which said: "The board requested the managing director to pursue the feasibility of entering an arrangement of creditors and to make recommendations on whether there were practical means for maximizing recovery of assets."

The statement added: "If the managing director finds there is a constructive plan for the recovery of assets, he will report to the executive committee, which has been given the power to decide on the action to be taken."

Commenting on his mission, Mr. Gal-Edd told *The Jerusalem Post* that the proposal by financier Shaul Eisenberg to buy Rosenbaum's $8.7m. debt to the Corporation for $2.5m. was no longer a priority issue.

Mr. Eisenberg's personal representative, Mr. Jonathan Zouchovitzki, who attended the Paris meeting, told the board that the Corporation's first task was to coordinate action with Mr. Rosenbaum's other creditors.

The board expressed its appreciation of Mr. Eisenberg's offer and it appears that this is still regarded as a last-ditch solution if Mr. Gal-Edd's tour of Europe financial centres should fail.

Asked whether he was optimistic about his mission, the managing director said: "I don't know. I hope to report in a few weeks. But this will depend on how available the creditors are. Time will be needed to study assets as well."

Another full-scale meeting in Paris of the board of directors will not be necessary in order to decide on future moves after Mr. Gal-Edd completes his task, since the executive board has been empowered to take future decisions in Tel Aviv.

Asked where he will be calling during his fact-finding travels, Mr. Gal-Edd joked: "I can't say. But not in Vaduz" (the Liechtenstein capital where Mr. Rosenbaum's investment operations are centred).

At Friday's meeting Mr. Gal-Edd reported that according to the showing for the first nine months of 1974, the Israel Corporation could expect bigger earnings than in 1973.

The managing director reported that the Jerusalem Plaza Hotel, the new $20m. luxury apartment hotel in Jerusalem, had been opened in December and had been fully booked for the holiday season. The hotel, which is being built in a joint venture with the Green Tower Company of New York, contains a number of cooperative suites, more than 75 per cent of which have been sold. Only 11 apartments were still available for sale.

The board also appointed an audit committee composed of Messrs. Jacob Brin, David Golan, Michael Gore and Horst Rahe and agreed on structural changes for reinforcing control of the Corporation's finances.

A Hebrew University student finds a comfortable resting place to read the campus newspaper on the base of Henry Moore's bronze sculpture. (Rubinger)

Call for debate on Kupat Holim medicine charge

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Labour Party Youth Division Secretary Yehiel Leket protested on Friday against Kupat Holim's decision to charge patients for medicine from April 1. Mr. Leket wrote to Labour Party Secretary-General Meir Zarmi, demanding an immediate party debate on "a severe deviation from the principle of mutual aid in the Histadrut medical organization."

Mr. Leket said the lower income groups and larger families would suffer the most from this decision.

In his letter to Kupat Holim Chairman Asher Yadlin, Mr. Leket concurred that Kupat Holim faced a serious problem of wastefulness in using drugs, but he held that means other than extra payment should be introduced.

Site for nuclear reactor opposed

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — The heads of two municipalities and a regional council are planning to fight against proposals to build a nuclear reactor in Nitzanim, south of here.

The Mayor of Ashdod, Zvi Zilker, the Mayor of Ashkelon, Aharon Heibi, and the head of the Hof Ashkelon Regional Council, Yehuda Rothschild, decided at the end of last week to protest to the National Council of Planning about the plan. The three groups say that more than 100,000 persons live in the vicinity of the area where the reactor is being planned. It is intended that at least half a million people should eventually live there.

The three leaders say that according to a master plan the area was intended for a park and recreational centre.

The three suggest as an alternative that the reactor be built north of Ashdod, in the vicinity of the present reactor at Nahal Rubin.

French court orders child to Israeli mother

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — An Israeli mother said "I shall only believe it when I have my little girl in my arms again," after the child's French grandparents promised a court in Fontainebleau to return the child to her this weekend.

The mother is 26-year-old Etty Lougacy. Her former French husband, Francis Lemaire, and his parents, Henri and Jeanne Lemaire, were sentenced to suspended jail terms for having refused to hand over six-year-old Yael to her mother.

Etty met her husband in Israel in 1968, while he was working as a cook at a Club Mediterranée holiday centre. They went to France where they were married. They were divorced three years later and Etty was granted custody of their daughter.

But the child's grandparents refused to hand over the child. Each time the police came to collect Yael, they replied that she was not at the house.

The court imposed suspended jail sentences of eight months on the husband and one year on his parents.

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Lea Ben-Hur dies at 65

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA. — Lea Ben-Hur, one of the volunteer settlers here, died at the Safad Government Hospital on Friday, aged 65. She was the wife of Aluf Eliahu Ben-Hur, who is the Municipality's security adviser. The Ben-Hurs came to Kiryat Shmona last year, after the terrorist attack in April.

Lea Ben-Hur came from Germany in 1930, joined Kibbutz Na'an and later Mishmar Ha'emek. She was active in the Hagana, and on the outbreak of World War II she joined the ATS of the British army. After 1948 she served as adjutant in the Israel Army's Engineering Corps and was demobilized as rav-seren. She was secretary to the Mapam faction in the first Knesset, served at the Consulate in Los Angeles and in the Citizens' Advice Bureau in Tel Aviv. She persuaded her husband to move here last year.

She leaves her husband, a son and two grandchildren. Mrs. Ben-Hur willed her body to the Hebrew University Medical School.

University training for IAF pilots

The Air Force wants to give its pilots university education at the same time as they learn flying. To do this, a branch of Beersheba's Ben-Gurion University is already operating at an Air Force base in the centre of the country, the IDF Spokesman reports.

The announcement was made after a tour of an air base by 400 students from the 12th-grade in moshavim.

The students saw a display of taking off and landing by Skyhawks and Phantoms and were addressed by the base commander.

The visit was part of a seminar held by the Moshav Movement on military and security subjects. Earlier, the students met the commander of a well-known reconnaissance unit, the O.C. Nahal and the Chief Women's Corps Officer, the report said.

Technion students must do guard

HAIFA. — The Technion Students' Union Council has instructed each student to put in two hours of duty each month, checking bags at the entrances of the faculties. The Council also recommended expulsion for one semester for any student not fulfilling the duty.

The decisions were taken because the students have not being fulfilling the task properly. The Council also asked students to volunteer for Civil Guard duty on the campus.

FILLING STATIONS will have to have operable pumps for supplying two-stroke engines — used mainly in motor-scooters — in order to qualify for renewal of their licences this year. This was announced over the weekend by the Transport Ministry.

Shinui head Rubinstein protests

Israel's parties like 'barricaded citadels'

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

HAIFA. — Today's political parties suffer from a lack of internal democracy, and the proposed reform of the election system will only make things worse, Prof. Amnon Rubinstein, chairman of the Shinui movement, said on Friday.

Speaking at the Engineers' Forum here on the "crisis in public life," Prof. Rubinstein said the State's financing of Knesset elections was unsatisfactory, because it was not coupled with the introduction of democratic procedures within the parties. He cited the example of West Germany, where the state finances a party's election campaign only if it practised democratic elections within its own ranks.

Speaking before an unusually large audience, Prof. Rubinstein warned that in a democratic society there were no miracle solutions to political ills.

"We must insist on democracy from the ground up, on secret and personal elections," Rubinstein said. "Too many people are oppressed by a sense that nothing can be done, because the political parties are controlled by men who have not been elected — a phenomenon that has no equal in any other democratic society."

"There seems to be no entry into politics except through these parties, and that area of public life is like a barricaded citadel," he held.

This state of affairs has led to a large measure of passivity and indifference. Within the academic community, Prof. Rubinstein said, he has found only a handful of students ready to be active on behalf of something outside their private interests — for an idea, a principle. No volunteers could be found in the law faculties to give legal aid to the needy.

The older generation of leaders have failed to adjust to the changing conditions, and outside observers are surprised by how conservative our establishment is, he said. There is little rotation in public offices. People cling to their posts, whether in the government, or in the Histadrut or in the political parties; and this is a very unhealthy situation.

"We must explain to young people that there is nothing inherently bad in politics... But politics must be given back to the public, it must not be left to the politicians," Prof. Rubinstein said.

Eban to lecture at Haifa University

HAIFA. — Mr. Abba Eban, M.K., will be a guest lecturer in the Political Science Department, at the Haifa University for two trimesters. He will deliver the first of his lectures, on "Diplomacy — 30 Years in review," at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Permission for Friday night film withdrawn

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Film-goers on Friday night found the Gat Cinema closed following a Municipality decision to withdraw permission for Friday night film shows there. Many Tel Aviv cinema houses have been screening discreetly advertised films on Friday evenings, some of them under the guise of "film clubs."

Deputy Mayor Yitzhak Artzi denied that the decision on the Gat resulted from pressure by the religious parties, who have been protesting "the desecration of the Sabbath at an increasing number of theatres."

A religious-sponsored demonstration had been scheduled to be held outside the Gat Cinema on Friday night, but only a few persons, who said they belonged to the Sabbath Observance League, showed up.

Mr. Artzi said that Friday night showings at the Gat were banned because the theatre is located at a central place, across from Kikar Malchei Yisrael. Sabbath eve entertainment there might offend many people, he said. The Deputy Mayor stressed, however, that there was no intention of banning Friday night films at any other theatre.

Mekorot doubles budget

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The water supply budget of Mekorot during the coming 1975-76 fiscal year will be IL450m., with IL200m. going for energy expenses. This budget is twice as large as the present one, Shmuel Kantor, deputy director of Mekorot, told workers of Mekorot at Beit Brenner here.

The development budget of the company will be about IL500m., and the overall budget will be more than IL1,000m. The company will be pumping about 1,000m. cubic metres of water.

Mr. Kantor said Mekorot will be a participant in the water desalination and re-use of sewage water programmes. A special unit is being established for this purpose.

Violence by youth on increase, symposium told

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The use of violence by youth is reaching serious proportions and it is being coupled with increased use of force by the police in handling teenage suspects. This was the consensus of a panel of specialists on crime control and of hundreds of Tel Aviv teenagers at a symposium on criminology held here last week by the University of Tel Aviv and ZOA House.

Among those taking part in the symposium were Dr. David Libai, head of the Institute of Criminology at the University of Tel Aviv; Youth Court judge Avraham Ben Hador; the head of the Youth Probation Service, Meir Hovev; the director of the Corrections Department, Dr. Haim Horowitz; Prisons Commissioner Arie Nir; and Raphael Danon, head of the Youth Division of the Tel Aviv District Police.

Commissioner Nir admitted that there were no facilities to separate offenders according to their record, but only by age. He said that a new prison for offenders up to 20 years of age was being planned to add to the existing facilities at Tel Mond and Damon prisons.

The speakers agreed that violence and the use of hard drugs was increasing among a large section of offenders.

The symposium was told that whereas the total number of juvenile offences was decreasing, the crimes of several hundred hard-core juvenile criminals were growing in seriousness. The major offences being perpetrated today were car and property thefts, the use of drugs and violence.

Street violence troubled many of the high school and army age questioners. They said that they were sometimes attacked wantonly by gangs of unemployed youth, and at the same time were themselves often apprehended by the police, subjected to police custody and exposed to violence and indignities at the hands of hardened prisoners.

Charges of police brutality against youngsters under arrest were made by Dr. Horowitz. He suggested that a civilian be included in all police committees investigating illegal force used by police officers.

Sentence cut on appeal in debt-assault case

A man sentenced to two years' imprisonment for assault and robbery was acquitted of the latter charge by the Supreme Court last week after it emerged that the lower court which had convicted him had not heard the testimony of defence witnesses.

The appellant, Gavriel Peretz, had been convicted by the Haifa District Court of assaulting and robbing Yosef Dahan in a public park in April 1974. Peretz argued that Dahan owed him the money.

When two defence witnesses failed to turn up in court, Peretz's lawyer asked the court to postpone the proceedings until the witnesses could be found. But the District Court refused, on the grounds that even if it could be proved that Dahan had owed the defendant money, robbery was still robbery.

In its judgment, the District Court rejected Peretz's version that he had known the victim beforehand and had loaned him money. But in passing a (relatively mild) two-year sentence, the court said it was prepared to assume Peretz was telling the truth about his motive for the attack.

In allowing the appeal, the Supreme Court held that "since the District Court refused to postpone proceedings to allow the defence witnesses to be heard, we are obliged to assume that the testimony of these witnesses would have convinced the learned judges that the victim had indeed borrowed money from the appellant. If so, the credibility of the complainant would have been damaged all the way down the line."

The Supreme Court also found a "glaring contradiction" in the District Court's refusal to believe the defendant's version when reaching its verdict and in its giving him the benefit of the doubt when it came to passing sentence.

The Supreme Court, however, found Peretz guilty of assault and sentenced him to a year's imprisonment. *(Itim.)*

State List MK charges Labour 'sabotage' on vote reform

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Zalman Shoval, MK, of the State List (Likud) charged on Friday that central figures in the Labour Party were trying to prevent electoral reform legislation being passed. He told a meeting here that his party would persist in its fight for the overdue change in the electoral system.

He deplored the attempts by Mapam, the Independent Liberals and the National Religious Party "to scuttle the reform measures," but blamed "central personalities" in the Labour Party with sharing the same design.

His fellow State List MK, Yitzhak Peretz, announced on Friday that he is asking the Likud to back his private member's bill for legislating direct and personal elections of city councillors. He envisaged dividing up the towns into boroughs so as to eliminate the present anomalous situation where large neighbourhoods lacked any kind of representation on town councils.

Stress and adjustment in war and peace

'It takes another war widow to help'

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — It takes a "veteran" war widow to understand and comfort a "fresh" war widow, but the experience is a tremendous emotional drain on the "veteran."

This was said here last week by Mrs. Ron Bawly, of the Alfred Adler Institute, whose first husband was killed during air force training in 1956, leaving her with a baby daughter. She was speaking at the "International conference on psychological stress and adjustment in time of war and peace."

Mrs. Bawly and several other "veterans" went out after the Yom Kippur War to comfort widows.

She found that the most important thing the visitor can do in the first stage of mourning is to "give the new widow a feeling that she can talk openly. For this we must offer willing ears and an open heart. The mourning widow is moved to keep the dead alive by talking about him, about his qualities, his activities, what he said, what he wrote, his plans for the future..."

The war widows whom Mrs. Bawly visited said they felt "the presence" of their dead husbands everywhere.

"Somehow these widows expect to wake up in the morning and discover that all this was just a bad dream, but each morning the cruel reality slaps them in the face. Society promises that time heals, but time, for people in mourning, crawls, and the longer it crawls the greater the torture."

Mrs. Bawly said that she began to relive all these feelings herself with great intensity. "I experienced the worry, the feelings that came right after the announcement of my husband's death, my attitude to the people who came to visit me, their attitude towards me, my feelings of loneliness, my protest and my anger, going back to the funeral and the burial ceremony, to sitting *shiva*..."

She told the new widows about her feelings. "I talked about my own process of rehabilitation, my solutions and escapes. I realized that it was important to talk about these things, as important for my sake as for theirs."

But being aware of the experience of the others did not ease the pain. "What did help was the formulation of common feelings, as when I told the widows. 'It was hard for me to explain to others (her friends and family) at that time 17 years ago. I was left, and my life was over. I rebelled, and I felt defeated, humiliated and insulted. I wanted people to leave me alone, but they did not. I saw the world as if in a fog. I could not find road marks or directions. I had no one with whom to share my sorrow. I did what I was told to do. I lived outside of myself. I felt that I was being swept away — I knew not where, with a baby in my arms. We were two — the baby and me — forsaken children left in a world whose logic I could not grasp. Yet, then I rose, saying to God and to the world: we shall go on living in spite of all this'."

'Long-life battery'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.— The Am-Or Company, an affiliate of Amcor, has begun marketing batteries made with lithium, which promise a life span 12 times that of ordinary batteries.

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DR. M. FELDENKRAIS will teach in English tentatively on Monday at 4 p.m., and Thursday at 6 p.m.

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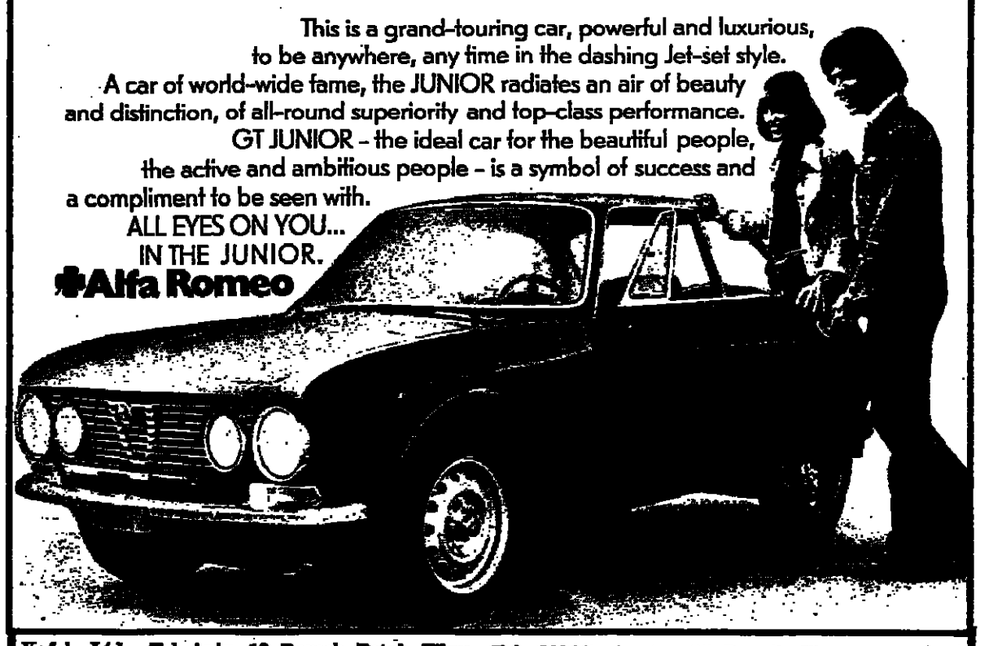

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U.S. safety board reports:

Bomb caused TWA crash off Greece

WASHINGTON (AP). — A bomb on board caused the Trans World Airlines jetliner crash that killed 88 persons off the coast of Greece last September, the National Transportation Safety Board said on Friday.

Another TWA flight over the same area two weeks earlier also had a bomb hidden in the plane but that device malfunctioned, the safety board said. That device was found in a suitcase after fire was discovered in the cargo hold.

The safety board said it did not learn of the first bomb until after the second TWA plane disappeared. A spokesman said he did not know whether TWA or other federal agencies knew of the first bomb before the second blast.

The successful sabotage was the first against a U.S. aircraft since 1964 when a Pacific Airlines flight crashed after the pilots were shot. It was the first confirmed bomb explosion on an American aircraft since 1962 when a Continental Airlines jet crashed in the U.S., killing all 45 persons on board. A bomb also was suspected in the disappearance of a National Airlines plane over the Gulf of Mexico in 1962, but this never was proven.

The safety board said laboratory investigation of debris recovered from the doomed TWA plane "establish conclusively that the detonation of a high order explosive took place in the aircraft's air cargo compartment."

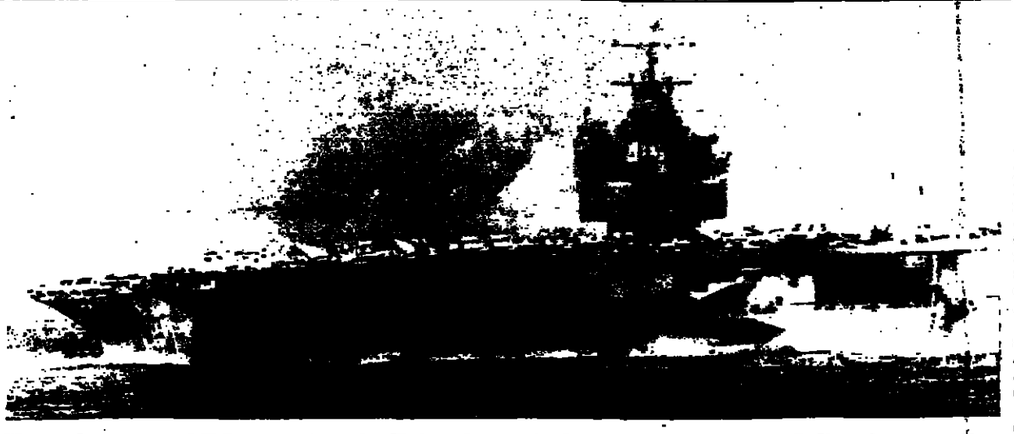
The TWA plane was on a flight from Tel Aviv to New York, with stops in Athens and Rome. It crashed into the Indian Sea off the coast of Greece shortly after taking off from Athens on Sept. 8, 1974.

TWA officials originally ruled out sabotage despite a claim by a telephone caller in Beirut that an organization called the Nationalist Youth for the Liberation of Palestine had sabotaged the plane. The Palestinian news agency Wafa reported shortly after the crash that a spokesman for the Palestine Liberation Organization denied that Arab groups were involved in the disaster.

Two Israeli couples — Dr. and Mrs. Richard Katzman of Rehovot and Mr. and Mrs. Barry Shay of Herzliya Pituah — were killed in the crash.

The safety board said no checks were performed at Athens on the baggage loaded on the doomed TWA flight or on the earlier flight where the malfunctioning bomb was found. It said TWA since has begun checking all baggage loaded onto its planes at Athens.

The board recommended that the Federal Aviation Administration, which *controls air safety in the* U.S., re-emphasize to countries served by U.S. airlines the importance of participating in the agency's aviation assistance security programme.



The nuclear-powered U.S. aircraft carrier Enterprise yesterday headed toward the Indian Ocean, ending speculation that the carrier and its six escort ships might be headed for duty off the Vietnamese coast. The Vietcong claimed the task force passed within 482 kms. of Vietnam and said the U.S. had thus violated the cease-fire agreement. (AP radiophoto)

U.S. denies role in Vietnam raids, steps up supplies to Cambodia

SAIGON. — U.S. sources acknowledged yesterday that American aircraft are continuing reconnaissance flights over North and South Vietnam, but denied Hanoi charges that U.S.-manned planes were guiding South Vietnamese bombing missions.

A spokesman for the U.S. Embassy called the Hanoi charges "nonsense." North Vietnam, in a broadcast monitored in Tokyo, claimed U.S. reconnaissance planes from Thailand were guiding South Vietnamese bombers in their attacks in Phuoc Long province, overrun by the Communists in a three-week campaign.

"The U.S. must bear full responsibility for the serious situation in Vietnam," the broadcast declared.

South Vietnamese bombers continued heavy attacks for the fifth straight day yesterday on Communist positions in Phuoc Long Province, the Saigon Command reported.

The command said the bombers hit northwest of Phuoc Long's provincial capital of Phuoc Binh, 118 kms. north of Saigon, which was overrun by the Communists on Tuesday. Two South Vietnamese warplanes were shot down.

Saigon *said 108 Communist* soldiers were killed and 195 military installations destroyed in the air raids, in an arc stretching from the Cambodian frontier in the east almost to the South China Sea in the west.

Field officers said an A-37 plane was downed by a Sam-7 heat-seeking missile over Tuyen Nhon District, 56 kms. west of Saigon. Another of the single-seat planes was hit by ground fire near the long-besieged province capital of An Loc 96 kms. north of the capital.

Saigon reported Communist troops stepped up shellings and ground attacks across the country, with *217 incidents listed during the* latest 24-hour period.

President Nguyen Van Thieu has pledged to recapture Phuoc Long, the first province the Saigon regime has lost since northernmost Quang Tri was captured by the Communists three years ago. Most of Quang Tri was regained by the Government.

In the Cambodian war, insurgent forces pressing in on Phnom Penh have overrun a district capital and a key river town 32 kms north of the capital, military sources said yesterday.

They said Government troops suffered considerable losses as they retreated to the provincial capital of Oudong, seven kms west of the fallen district capital of Kompong Luong.

Kompong Luong and the nearby town of Prek Kdam, a ferry crossing on the Tonle Sap River, were *the first Government towns to fall* to the insurgents since they launched their New Year's dry season offensive 11 days ago.

The towns served as bases for guarding boat convoys that resupply Phnom Penh from the northwestern provinces.

Southeast of the capital, Khmer Rouge troops were reportedly threatening the strategic naval base of Neak Luong, a key town on the Mekong River, 50 kms from Phnom Penh. Military sources said Government troops had abandoned the western bank of the river and five small government outposts south and east of the town.

Most observers feel that the in*surgents hope to close the Mekong* River, which also supplies the capital, to Government traffic.

Intelligence reports indicate an estimated 25,000 to 30,000 rebel troops are massing around Phnom Penh. Sources say their objective is to shell Phnom Penh and its western suburbs with rockets.

Phnom Penh was shelled twice yesterday, for the 11th successive day, as part of the rebels' terror campaign against the capital. Four persons were killed, including a child, and seven others were wounded, reporters on the scene said.

Nearly 200 rockets have been fired into the city by insurgents during the past 11 days. About a hundred people have been killed or wounded.

In Bangkok, a U.S. military spokesman said American air supply to Cambodia has been stepped up. The spokesman said an increase in supply flights — the *"Bangkok Post" reported they* are 50 per cent above normal — was ordered "in connection with the increased level of fighting," and Phnom Penh's growing isolation.

The increased shipments were disclosed at the same time as U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David Jones was in Saigon for a "familiarization" visit, after a tour of American installations in Thailand. *(AP, UPI)*

Pope greets Jewish leaders without mentioning Israel

VATICAN CITY (AP). — Pope Paul VI received Jewish leaders on Friday in a special audience marking what Vatican sources see as closer relations between the Roman Catholic Church and Judaism. But in a welcoming speech the Pontiff avoided any reference to the State of Israel and its prominence in Judaism.

By contrast, Gerhart Riegner, secretary-general of the World Jewish Congress, told the Pope that Jews could not keep apart land and doctrine in their faith.

"The current meeting, we hope, opens a new phase in our relations," Riegner said in a brief address. He added: "We hope that this effort will lead to greater appreciation of the essential place that people and land have in the Jewish faith."

Answering Riegner's address, Pope Paul pointed to his efforts at fostering contacts between the two religions and called for a "true dialogue." He voiced "wishes of happiness and peace" for the entire Jewish people.

Riegner was one of 10 Jewish rabbis and experts who met with seven Catholic prelates this week in Rome in the annual conference of the International Liaison Committee between the Catholic Church and World Judaism.

The committee met for the fourth time since December 1971. They had previously met in France and Belgium. Their session in Rome followed the establishment of a papal commission for religious relations with the Jews and a Vatican decree condemning anti-Semitism and all discrimination against Jews.

In Friday's speech, Pope Paul referred to the difficulties and confrontations with all the regrettable elements involved, which have marked relations between Christians and Jews over the past 2,000 years.

But he mentioned Christian esteem for Philo of Alexandria and Maimonides and Jewish studies on St. Thomas Aquinas as witnessing the fact that "at different periods and at a certain level there has been a real and profound mutual esteem and a conviction that we had something to learn from one another."

Catholic members in the liaison committee included Archbishop Roger Etchegaray and Bishop Francis J. Mugaovero of Brooklyn, N.Y. This, the Pope said, indicated the "sincerity and collegial decision with which the Catholic Church desires that there should develop at this time that dialogue with Judaism."

Riegner on his part referred to "the re-birth of the State of Israel in our era" and called for a "spirit of mutual respect and acceptance *of our basic differences."*

Quoting from a speech Pope Paul delivered on December 23, Riegner said the Jews "warmly appreciated the recognition of the place of Jerusalem in the nostalgia and love also of the Jewish people."

Riegner welcomed the Vatican appeal for joint Jewish-Christia efforts in the social field.

In the Rome meeting the com mittee discussed prospects for fu ther contacts between Catholics and Judaism and joint action problems relating to human righ Members also exchanged inform tion about the condition of Chri tians and Jews in the Soviet Unio The meetings were closed to t public.

Pope warns of war over oil sources

VATICAN CITY (UPI). — Po Paul VI said yesterday the "war energy sources" posed a serious w threat to peace. He said the inte national situation has deteriorat so badly there is fear the world entering a "pre-war phase."

Diplomats who listened to t Pope's warning at a Vatican rece tion said they understood he ref red to U.S. Secretary of State Hen Kissinger's recent statement th the U.S. could use force against producers "in the gravest emerge cy." The Pope did not ment Kissinger by name.

His warning was one of a ser he has delivered in recent weeks, ways coupled with his hope for r conciliation which is the theme the holy year.

Vatican accepts first female ambassador

VATICAN CITY (AP). — A 2 year-old African woman will becom the first female ambassador to t Vatican. Pope Paul VI has approv the appointment of Miss Bernadet Olowo as Ugandan envoy, an a nouncement said on Friday.

The precedent-setting decis came in the recent wake of Cath rethinking about the women's r in the church and society. Never b fore in the nine centuries of pap diplomacy had the unwritten me only rule been broken.

In the Middle Ages, when pap diplomats were a loose corps w no firm organization, and from t 17th century on, when the Catho Church established regular diplom tic service, only male diplomats h taken up office with the papacy.

Miss Olowo will serve both ambassador to the Vatican and Bonn, West Germany, where she w reside.

No date was announced yet f her arrival here and the ceremo of presenting her credential lette to the Pope.

Her appointment marked a di matic change since the time wh Pope Pius XI denounced women w tried to take up professional jo The late pontiff said 40 years a that women should restrict their co cern to the house and the family.

Greek resolution will put military leaders on trial

ATHENS (AP). — The government submitted a resolution to parliament on Friday that would open the way for the prosecution of hundreds of ministers, under-secretaries and collaborators with the former military dictatorship.

The resolution, expected to get almost unanimous approval in the first post-dictatorship parliament, would make possible the immediate detention of all those suspected of committing crimes during the seven-year dictatorship that collapsed in July.

It would also clear any criminal charges against participants in the overthrow of the military regime.

The draft specified that presidents, premiers, ministers, under-secretaries, ministry secretaries-general, embezzlers of public funds, those who inflicted torture on political dissidents "and all those who participated with them in whatever way" could be put on trial.

It said five-member appeal courts would judge the accused.

The draft said there was no question of amnesty in these cases.

The resolution said laws passed under the dictatorship were maintained for the time being "so as not to create social upheaval," but it added they can be annulled individually by relevant legislation.

The resolution said the 1967 military takeover "was imposed by violence and fraud, did not stem from ideas but from the personal calculations and ambitions of a small group of officers, and was never entrenched through popular approval."

It said the takeover was therefore a coup, not a revolution, and that consequently no question of revolutionary right arose.

19 kg. heroin found in random Austrian search

VIENNA (AP). — Austrian customs officials in a routine random check early yesterday intercepted 19 kilos of smuggled heroin, worth over IL6m. Authorities said it was the biggest haul yet in Central Europe.

Seven men and three women arriving here from Kuala Lumpur were arrested, police said.

Twelve other Malaysian smugglers were arrested in Brussels after the plane flew there from here. Belgian authorities met them at the airport apparently following an urgent message from Austrian authorities.

The granulated drug was hidden in suitcases, two cognac bottles, one carton of cigarettes, a box of dried plums, two boxes of baby powder and inside a toy panda bear of an alert three-year-old Malayan boy *who was reported eager to learn* German words from police.

Police said they believe those arrested are only go-betweens or "transporters" of a huge international drug-smuggling ring.

Iran denies purchase of 4 more Concordes

TEHERAN (Reuter). — Iran yesterday denied that it was planning to buy four Anglo-French Concorde supersonic airliners and lease two of them to Pan American World Airways. Iran has been negotiating preliminary purchase arrangements for two Concordes, with an option on a third.

The BBC reported on Friday Iran was planning to buy four Concordes and lease two of them to Pan-Am. The report was later denied by Pan-Am.

Maronite Cardinal Meouchi dies

BEIRUT (AP). — Cardinal Paul Meouchi, patriarch of the Maronite Church of Antioch and all the East, died in bed here yesterday at 81.

Cardinal Meouchi was the first Maronite patriarch appointed by a Pope. He was elevated in 1955 by Pope Pius XII after a dispute by the local synod of bishops which usually appoints Maronite patriarchs. Cardinal Meouchi became involved in a dispute with the Pope when he reached the Vatican's mandatory retirement age of 75. The Cardinal refused to retire, and the Pope eventually agreed to let him remain in office.

The Maronite church has two million members in the Middle East, Africa and Latin America.

Fiery pieces of Skylab rocket return to earth

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The heart of a 42-ton Skylab rocket used to launch America's first space station tore back into earth's atmosphere at 27,200 kms. an hour yesterday in a fiery swath from the North Atlantic possibly to the Sahara Desert, the space agency said.

The rocket's second stage, launched in 1973, apparently was ripped apart and burned up by atmospheric friction before large pieces could reach land or sea.

"We have no reported visible sightings at this time," said Jim Kukowski of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

He said that air force computers were used to determine the roughly 4,000-kms. re-entry swath which the big rocket cut after it was first believed to have gone down over the Indian Ocean.

Space agency officials first reported it landed in the Indian Ocean but later said the big rocket apparently skipped off the outer atmosphere and did almost another complete cycle around the earth.

"No fragments have been officially reported as having reached the surface of the earth," said Kukowski.

"It re-entered the atmosphere just before 3 a.m. today in the North Atlantic Ocean," he added. "Some debris from the breakup may have survived to have reached as far as the Sahara Desert, the only land area within the projected area for the re-entry of fragments."

The computers were still busy trying to find the exact point where the rocket entered the atmosphere.

NASA officials said the possibility of any pieces doing any damage or injury to persons was infinitely remote. The officials originally confirmed the splashdown after radar at the Canton Island tracking station north of Samoa in the Pacific failed to sight the spacecraft.

The path of the blazing rocket took it over Southern Mexico, the Southeastern U.S., Southern Europe and the Middle East, but space buffs were cheated out of a show that had been expected to produce a spectacular fireball as the rocket disintegrated.

The re-entry of the Saturn V booster leaves only one large piece of man-made space junk in orbit — the huge Skylab workshop itself. The Skylab itself is not expected to re-enter the atmosphere until 1981.

Cape sextuplets are selling well on first birthday

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP). — Cape Town's world famed sextuplets celebrated their first birthday here yesterday. Their 26-year-old mother, Mrs. Susan Rosenkowitz, had the multiple birth by caesarian section at a local hospital following treatment with a fertility drug.

For the parents the past year has been an eventful one.

To house their new offspring, and two other children, the family moved into a $145,000 house.

The proud 40-year old father, Colin Rosenkowitz, has hired a business manager to negotiate with companies interested in using the famous six to promote their products. Magazines vied for rights to the children's story — a South African publication paid $150,000 for the rights and a local pop group, "Take Six," wrote a song about the children.

German thinks Israel ready to talk to PLO

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — West German opposiť politician Erik Blumenfeld, in an i terview published here yesterda said he believes Israel is ready negotiate with Yasser Arafat's PI if the conditions are right.

Blumenfeld, a Christian Democr who just returned from a priva visit to Israel where he met t Foreign and Defence Ministers, sa the minimum conditions for neg tiations would have to be PLO r cognition of Israel and formal r nunciation by the terrorists of the call for annihilation of the Jewi state.

Mr. Blumenfeld has reported written a letter to Foreign Minist Hans-Dietrich Genscher, asking t German Government to join the U. and other European countries dip matically in an effort to convin Egypt and Syria of the seriousn of Israel's peace offers.

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EXHIBIT OF THE MONTH
Two bronze oil lamps in the shape of animal heads
Special exhibit at Rockefeller: Ossuaries from Jewish burial caves recently excavated in Jerusalem

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Portugal gets independence plan

Rival Angolan groups settle differences

PENINA, Portugal. — Three rival guerrilla movements have handed Portugal a joint proposal containing detailed plans for Angola's independence, official Portuguese sources said yesterday.

The document was presented Friday night at the end of the first day of a conference on the African territory's future, being held at a hotel here on Portugal's Algarve coast.

The three ministers heading the Portuguese delegation sat late into the night studying the blueprint, and talks between all four sides resumed at about 10 a.m. yesterday.

The sources said the document was a more detailed and slightly changed version of the common political platform reached by the three liberation movements at their pre-conference meeting in Mombasa last week. But details of the new offer were not immediately available.

With the Portuguese already committed to the freedom of their biggest and richest African colony, the meeting was to hear a common guerrilla position. But minutes after the meeting began, disagreements emerged among the National Liberation Front of Angola (FNLA), the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) and the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (Unita).

The guerrilla delegations asked for a suspension of the talks, and a senior Portuguese official said later the black leaders started negotiating among themselves. The new proposal was thought to be a result of these negotiations.

The black liberation movements have fought each other in the Angolan bush almost as vigorously as they have resisted Portugal's colonial army.

A senior Portuguese official described the proposal as "favourable" and said it had been adopted by the Portuguese as a basis for negotiation. He said Portugal planned no counterproposal.

The presentation of the document was described by the official as encouraging. He said that on Friday it was unknown whether the guerrilla leaders could arrive at common positions and whether once they did their platform would be acceptable to Lisbon. He said both conditions had been fulfilled and that the Portuguese were more optimistic about the outcome.

It was understood that a copy of the proposal was hand carried yesterday morning to President Francisco Da Costa Gomes who is staying at a nearby hotel, but not at the summit site.

The principal Portuguese concern at the summit was described by the official as being the protection of the lives and interests of Portuguese settlers who choose to remain in the West African colony.

It was not known immediately what the guerrillas had offered in this respect. *(Reuter, AP)*

Two first-time cosmonauts, Lt.-Col. Alexei Gubarev and flight engineer Georgi Grechko, salute before the launching of Soyuz 17. (AP radiophoto)

Two-man Soviet spaceship to rendezvous with lab

MOSCOW (UPI). — Two Soviet cosmonauts raced through space yesterday toward a rendezvous with an orbiting three-room Russian space station.

The Tass News Agency said the two rookie cosmonauts aboard the Soyuz-17 spacecraft blasted off from the Baikonur centre in Central Asia 43 minutes after midnight and began circling the globe.

Although Soyuz-17 is almost identical to a Soviet ship that will link up with an American Apollo in July, Soviet space officials said no new rehearsal of the joint mission was planned.

Tass said Soyuz-17 commander Lt.-Col. Alexei Gubarev and civilian flight engineer Georgi Grechko were "feeling well," and had adjusted to the weightlessness of space in their cramped capsule. Both men are 43 and are making their first flight in space.

Tass said Soyuz-17 would carry out "joint experiments with the orbital research spaceship, Salyut-4." The space station was lofted into space on December 26.

The wording of the announcement indicated the Soyuz cosmonauts would at least rendezvous with Salyut-4, but left open the possibility that the two craft would not link up.

Soyuz-15, the last Soviet attempt to dock with an orbiting station, ended in failure when an automated docking system failed. The setback caused concern among American experts because the joint flight was only a year away.

In December, two cosmonauts aboard the Soyuz-16 craft successfully carried out a six-day dress rehearsal for the Soviet-American flight.

"The current flight is in no way connected with additional check-ups of Soyuz systems before its rendezvous with the Apollo spacecraft," Maj. Gen. Georgi Beregovoi, chief of cosmonaut training, said.

He said a primary aim of the mission was to test new control and life support systems which have been installed on the standard Soyuz spacecraft.

According to Tass, the cosmonauts were circling the earth once every 90.7 minutes in the same orbital plane as Salyut, and ranging from 354 kms. to 298 kms. above the ground — a higher orbit than for most Soviet manned flights. Salyut is in a circular orbit slightly further out, so a flight correction lifting them out to meet the station will be the first indication of an imminent docking.

Kissinger to woo Latin Americans

WASHINGTON (AP). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has tentative plans for a South American trip next month that he hopes will soothe anti-American feelings in the region, State Department sources say.

Although the plans still are not firm, Kissinger expects to visit Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru and Venezuela over seven to 10 days in mid-February, the sources said. Kissinger has never visited the continent.

The trip is a prelude to a March hemispheric foreign ministers meeting, which is part of the "new dialogue" consultations Kissinger initiated with Latin American nations almost a year ago.

U.S. officials concede that, in general, the Latin American attitude toward Kissinger is far less reverential than it was a year ago.

Kissinger has come under criticism for approving the funding of groups in Chile opposed to the late President Salvador Allende, for not attending a November foreign ministers meeting to review the Cuba sanctions and for not being able to prevent legislation which the Latin countries consider detrimental to their interests.

Venezuela and Ecuador have protested the new trade law, and other Latin American nations have supported them.

The bill appears to deny certain trade benefits to the two nations because they belong to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). The two Latin nations did not take part in the Arab oil embargo last winter.

In addition, Peru and Mexico will soon be in a position, by virtue of recent oil discoveries, to join Venezuela and Ecuador as Latin members of OPEC.

On the day President Gerald Ford signed the trade bill, Mexico's Ambassador to Washington, Jose Juan de Olloqui, was in the Middle East making soundings for his government on the feasibility of its joining OPEC.

Chilean junta deports five Allende aides to Rumania

SANTIAGO (AP). — Hugging and kissing their families goodbye, ex-Foreign Minister Clodomiro Almeyda and four other political prisoners freed by Chile's military junta, flew off to exile in Rumania yesterday morning.

The 52-year-old Almeyda, perhaps the best-known political prisoner held by the military government, and the others were placed aboard a waiting Lufthansa jetliner of the West German Airline destined for Lima, Peru, New York, Bonn and Frankfurt.

Under a police guard, weeping relatives, clutching packages of clothing and books, tearfully embraced and kissed their loved ones before the prisoners boarded the aircraft.

Exiled with Almeyda were ex-Education Minister Jorge Tapia, ex-Superintendent of Customs Leopoldo Zuljevic and two other Allende aides, Maximo Tacchi and Luis Enrique Munoz Schultz.

Gen. Raul Benavides, Minister of Interior, in a speech delivered over radio and television, said the deportation orders reflected the military regime's humanitarian spirit and respect for human rights.

Several countries, including Britain, the U.S., and West Germany, have informally indicated to Chile that they would be glad to take Almeyda in if he was freed.

But Benavides made no mention of another famous prisoner who has also been in detention since the September 11, 1973 coup which toppled the late Marxist President Salvador Allende, Chilean Communist Party Chief Luis Corvalan.

Almeyda is a Socialist and was an intimate friend from childhood of Allende, who, official reports say, killed himself rather than surrender on the day of the coup.

The prisoners have been kept at Ritoque, an ocean front detention camp northwest of Santiago.

The military regime, which disclosed last week that 3,500 persons are still imprisoned after the coup, has been accused by various international organizations of repression and even torture of former Allende supporters since taking power.

French police shoot baron, end 2-year chateau siege

MONTAUBAN, France (AP). — Police stormed a 30-room chateau early yesterday, ending a two-year siege by the former owner's family.

The former owner's son, Baron Jean-Louis de Portal, 22, was injured in the armed assault and was taken to a hospital.

His mother, Baroness Anna-Marie de Portal, 50, and his sister, Marie-Agnes, 23, were arrested and charged with armed resistance.

On Friday afternoon, a farm-worker was slightly injured by a shot fired from the chateau. Police made a final attempt to persuade the family to evacuate the building peacefully.

When the efforts failed, the order was given for the pre-dawn assault in military style. Jean-Louis was shot in the abdomen through a door while aiming his rifle at the police.

The former owner of the 380-acre estate, Baron Leonce de Portal, descendant of France's navy minister under King Louis XVIII, died on March 28, 1973. The widow had his body sealed in a lead coffin and placed it in a shuttered upstairs room of the chateau, to symbolize her defiance of the authorities.

Armed with telescopic rifles and gasmasks but living in isolation and poverty, the family kept the new owner and his employees away from the building, threatening to shoot anyone who approached.

They claimed they were unjustly deprived of ownership of the estate in a tangled series of lawsuits preceding Baron Leonce's death.

As debts and tax claims piled up, the estate was sold to a local farmer at an auction in July 1972 for about $54,000 — one-eighth of what was believed to be its true value.

The de Portal family challenged the sale in a long series of court actions, all of which they lost. Last April, a Toulouse court reiterated its eviction order, but the de Portals remained in the chateau and occasionally took potshots at employees of the new owner working in the nearby fields.

They found new hope when an anonymous American sympathizer sent them a gift of $15,000 and in gratitude they raised the American flag from the chateau flagpole.

But the sum was too small to buy back the estate, and, in any case, the new owner was unwilling to sell.

Swedish budget earmarks one per cent for foreign aid

STOCKHOLM (AP). — The Social Democratic Government on Friday presented a budget for 1975 that puts Sweden on the top in the industrialized world in foreign aid.

Sweden's aid to underdeveloped countries will now reach the goal of one per cent of the gross national product — one year later than had been earlier promised by the Social Democrats—and amounts to $705m. in the proposed budget — a 36 per cent increase from 1974.

Tanzania, India and North Vietnam are the countries receiving most of the Swedish foreign aid.

A governmental declaration delivered by Prime Minister Olof Palme, that for the first time in history replaced the King's speech from the throne at the Riksdag (parliament) opening, said of the foreign aid increase: "In a situation marked by dramatic deterioration for many of the already poor countries this is an important act of solidarity."

EDITOR ASTOR OF 'OBSERVER'

'Ring Israel with joint U.S.—Soviet force'

David Astor, editor of the "Observer," today publishes a lengthy "peace proposal" based on placing joint U.S.-Soviet military forces around Israel and establishing a partly demilitarized Palestinian Arab state. Astor, who recently spoke to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and other senior ministers, sees small U.S.-Soviet forces occupying demilitarized zones around Israel's pre-1967 lines and a bi-national or internationalized Jerusalem, with perhaps UN sponsorship to lighten the political burden for them.

Herewith is an extract:

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — "Perhaps the only way in which the Middle East could be genuinely stabilized and Israel and her neighbours be safeguarded would be if the Americans and the Soviets were to continue moving in the direction they instinctively took in the Yom Kippur War. Soon after its outbreak, Kissinger went to Moscow on a Soviet invitation, and Moscow thereafter proposed cooperation with the U.S. in peace-keeping.

"There are key areas around Israel — the Sinai desert and Golan Heights — which could easily be demilitarized and occupied by relatively small units of the two super-powers. And the port of Gaza could be used to service them. This would be almost enough to stop further wars between Israel and her larger neighbours, particularly as the Russians and Americans would not arm the Middle East powers once they were themselves acting as the police.

"But though it would be militarily enough to deter attacks, it would not be enough to settle the area politically. To do this, it would be essential to remove the grievance suffered by Palestinians a quarter century ago and shared emotionally by their fellow-Arabs.

"However, it must be faced that the constitution of an independent Arab Palestine could present major new military dangers to Israel . . .

(Needless to say, it is useless to ask the Israelis to accept the Palestine Liberation Organization's formal proposal of a total reunion of former Palestine. This would, presumably, be controlled by the PLO, in whose friendliness the Israelis lack confidence.)

"So the real question is: could an independent Arab Palestine be set-up that would not threaten Israel's safety? Put another way, could such a state be demilitarized and be guaranteed to stay demilitarized?

"There are several examples of states or territories, lying between the Soviet and Western spheres of defence, that are demilitarized or neutral and have a sufficiently low level of arms that they cannot threaten their neighbours. Stretching down Europe, there are Finland, the half-city of West Berlin, Austria, and Yugoslavia. A loyal Soviet-Communist state that is allowed only low armaments by tacit international agreement is Cuba . . .

"It would be, militarily, a very simple matter for the American and Soviet armed forces to put a light force of, say, five or ten thousand troops each into Sinai, around the West Bank and on the Golan Heights, with Gaza as their joint base. They would be armed in whatever degree they thought to be necessary to deter local attack. Their troops would be distributed so that Israel's reduced frontiers were militarily frozen.

"Even guaranteeing a bi-national or international status for Jerusalem — the most contentious point of all — would provide no military problem.

"It is, however, most probable that the super-powers would not want to carry such sometimes-odious political responsibilities as these entirely on their own. In that case, it should present no difficulty to invite the UN to sponsor the whole enterprise and see that a few contingents from suitable countries were provided to serve with those of the super-powers.

"It may be asked: Why should the Soviets prefer joint peace-keeping to single-handed trouble-making . . .?

"It was, after all, the Soviets who suggested a joint Soviet-American military presence in the Middle East.

"But why should the U.S. want to invite the Russians into such a peace-keeping partnership? So far, in the Middle East they seem to have actually spurned tentative Soviet advances. But the result is not a peaceful American hegemony in that area: on the contrary, the Middle East is in a chaotic inter-state situation, with a further war expected.

Film industry 'stung' for $1b. by illegal films

LOS ANGELES (AP). — At least 15 laboratories here are making illegal copies of motion pictures and bilking the film industry out of an estimated $1b. yearly, the "Los Angeles Times" reports.

Thousands of films — from "The Sting" and "The Godfather" to old classics and television shows — have been counterfeited and distributed throughout the world, the paper said in a story in yesterday's editions.

The "Times" said the Federal Bureau of Investigation seized films here and in Indianapolis on Thursday and quoted Chester Brown, a government prosecutor, as saying that a series of indictments is expected "in the near future." Agents said no arrests have been made.

An affidavit filed by the FBI in U.S. District Court in Indianapolis said the Los Angeles-based laboratories offer more than 15,000 counterfeit films, the "Times" said.

Private collectors and small exhibitors pay from $35 to $500 for the films, but the big money is in illegal distribution of the films to foreign countries, the "Times" said.

The newspaper said Hollywood sources told it that the loss to studios, actors and writers is more than $1b. a year.

PLO. — India authorized the Palestine Liberation Organization to open a New Delhi office on Friday. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's government formally recognized the PLO as the only legitimate representative of the Palestine people, falling in line with a decision taken by Arab heads of state in Rabat last October.

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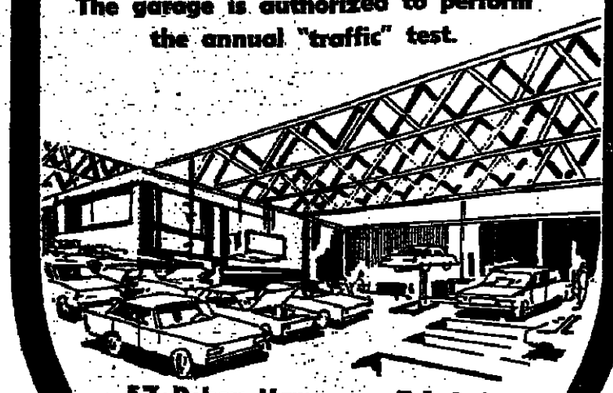

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MINISTRY OF HOUSING

ENSUREING THE INVESTMENTS OF HOME BUYERS

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The seller of the home may not accept a down payment from the buyer exceeding 15% of the price of the home. Receipt of larger down payment is dependent on ensuring the buyer's money, in the event of the seller being unable to transfer the buyer his rights, for any reason whatsoever. Ensuring the buyer's money may be done in any one of the following ways:

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3. The home, or a relative proportion of the land on which it is to be built, must be mortgaged — as a first mortgage — to the buyer, or to a trust company authorized for this purpose by the Minister of Housing.
4. A Warning Notice on the Sale of the Home must be listed (either on the home or on a relative proportion of the land on which it is to be built) in accordance with Paragraph 127 of the Land Law 1969; this means of ensuring the buyer's money is possible only if there have been no listings of the home or the land of mortgages, attachments or rights of a third party which would take precedence on this listing.
5. The seller will transfer ownership or other rights to the home or a relative proportion of the land on which it is to be built, to the buyer, as agreed in the contract of sale. This means may also be used if the home or the land are free of a mortgage, attachment or rights of a third party.

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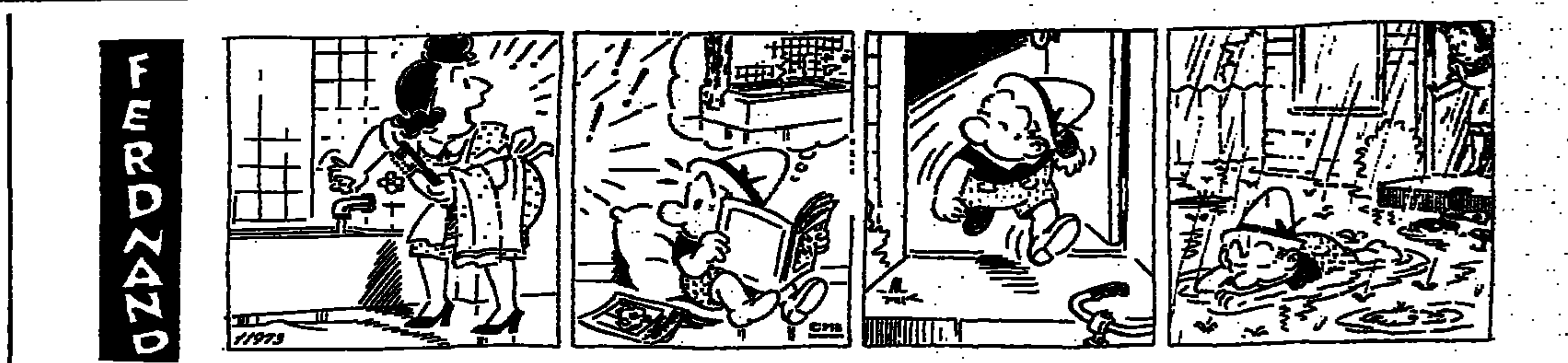

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7.15 p.m. HOB First Aid Course
9.00 p.m. ISRAELI FOLK DANCING — Beginners' Class.

Monday, January 13

8.15 p.m. CONSUMER SHIELD — HOW TO RAISE YOUR CONSUMER I.Q. IN ONE EASY LESSON. Talk by Ms. H. Inbsh, Davar Journalist and Mr. J. Livny, Legal Counsel

Tuesday, January 14

6.00 p.m. AACI Seniors — Rabbi DAVE MILLER will give A GUIDED TOUR THROUGH SINAI with slides.
7.30 p.m. Stamp Collectors meet
8.00 p.m. ISRAEL'S IMAGE AT HOME AND ABROAD — Study and Debating Circle (in English) arr. by Haifa Munic.

Wednesday, January 15

10.00 a.m. AACI Seniors-Weekly Meeting of ARTS & CRAFTS Group
10.00 a.m.-7.00 p.m. AACI — BLOOD BANK
9.00 p.m. ISRAELI FOLK DANCING

Thursday, January 16

8.30 p.m. Playreading
8.30 p.m. SHANY SALAMON in a programme of MIME

Tuesday & Thursday

6.15-7.15 p.m. Mr. E. ZIDKONI advises on good purchasing

Saturday, January 18

8.30 p.m. Haifa University Students — FOLK AND BLUES
LIBRARY: Mornings 10-12 noon Evenings 8-9.30 p.m.

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TEL AVIV
4.30, 7.15, 9.30

ALLENBY — Walking Tall; BEN YEHUDA — Les Petroleuses; CINEMA ONE — The Taking of Pelham One Two Three; CINEMA TWO — The Conversation 10-12-2-4-6-8-10; Mr. Majestyk 7.15, 9.30; DEKEL — Odessa File 7.15, 9.00; ESTHER — The Klansman; GAT — American Graffiti; GORDON — The Pedestrian; CHEN — Juggernaut; DRIVE-IN CINEMA — 5.p.m., Le Gendarme en Balade 7.45, Let The Good Times Roll 9.45; HOD — The Taking of Pelham One Two Three; MAXIM — The Seduction; PEER — O Lucky Man!; ORLY — A Warm December; RAMAT AVIV — For Pete's Sake 7.15, 9.30; TCHELET — Casablanca; LIMOR — L'Amour de pluie; OPHIR — Inside Job; MOGRABI — The Odessa File 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; TEL AVIV — A Man Called Noon; STUDIO — Murder on the Orient Express 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; PARIS — L'Amour d'apres-midi 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; ZAFON — Stavisky.

HAIFA

AMPHITHEATRE — The Last Chance; ARMON — Juggernaut; ATZMON — Deux Hommes dans la villa; BEIT ROTHSCHILD — All You Ever Wanted to Know About Sex Sat. Tue. 6.45, 9.00 Mon. Wed. 9.00, Focus — Sun. 9.15, Traffic Thur. 8.45; CHEN — The Glass House; MIRON — The Angry Guest; MORIAH — A Walk in the Spring Rain 6.45, 9.00; ORAH — La bonne Annee; ORDAN — The Visit; ORION — The Worst and the Good; ORLY — Avanti 6.30, 9.00; PEER — Sleeper; RON — L'Emmerdeur; SHAVIT — The Exorcist 6.45, 9.00

RAMAT GAN

ARMON — Nude As a Trap 7.15, 9.30 Mat. 4.30 King Kong Escapes; HADAR — Indian Summer 7.15, 9.30; LILI — "Sleuth" 7.00, 9.30, Mat. 4.00 The Arch of Fire; ORDEA — The Bridge on the River Kwai 6.30, 9.25; OASIS — The Sting 4.00, 7.15, 9.30; RAMA — The Black Windmill 7.15, 9.30; RAMAT GAN — 11 Harrowhouse 7.15, 9.30

PETAH TIKVA

SHALOM — Fifth Violent Connection 7.00, 9.00 Mat. 3.30 Heroes of the World.

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TIFERET — Bring Me the Head of Alfredo Garcia 7.00, 9.00; DAVID — Paper Moon 7.00, 9.15.

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3. Monday, January 20, 1975

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Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 6.05 p.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Geminiani: Concerto Grosso; Bach: English Suite No.2 (Kipnis); J. Chr. Bach: Flute Sonata (Redel-Hebler). 9.05 Mozart: Concerto for 3 Pianos (Bernstein-Gold-Fizdale); Britten: Simple Symphony; Ibert: Concertino da camera, for Alto-Saxophone. 10.05 Schubert: Menuet and Finale, for Woodwinds: Prokofiev: Excerpts from Ballet Suite "The Stone Flower."

11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.40 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Bartok: Chaconne from Sonata (Itzikovich); Debussy: Six Songs (Robin Weisel) — Arie Zemanek). 1.05 Midday Concert — Gnattali: "Concerto de Copacabana," for Guitar (Almeida); Milhaud: "Saudades do Brasil" (Rosenthal). 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — Improving your Knowledge. 3.30 Literature. 3.50 Book Review. 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 "Musica Viva" Morton Feldman: "A Viola in my Life" III: Arne Mellnas: Gestes Sonores"; John Cage: "Water Music"; Haubenstock-Ramati: "Multipe V"; Yossi Mar-Haim: "Playback." 5.10 (Stereo) Music for Sunday — Casals: "El Pessebre" — Part One.

6.05 People and Figures. 6.30 "Am Israel Hai." 6.50 A. Allon's Corner. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, chaps. 43 and 44. 8.05 Radio Chess Competition. 8.07 IPO — Zubin Mehta — Mozart: Horn Concerto No.4 (Tuckwell); Berlioz: "Harold in Italy" (Benyamini). 9.25 Albert Schweitzer. 10.05 Curtain Up. 11.05 Schubert: String Quartet in E-flat; Ravel: Trio. 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 249, 353 and 349 M.

5.58 Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 This Morning. 7.35 "Hebrew Songs." 7.55 Green Light. 8.10 Announcements. 8.15 "Good Morning." 8.55 "Names and Events in the Headlines." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 Requests. 3.52 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 Foreign Hit Parade. 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 Hit Parade. 5.55 "Traffic Signal." 6.05 Hit Parade. (cont.) 6.45 Today's Sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "The Record Library at Your Service." 10.05 "From Me Mani." 11.05 "Old Favourites." 1.05 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 "Oliver Twist" (part ... 6.00 "Lama Kova?" 9.00 ... Magazine. 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 "The Ascent of Man" — "The Majestic Clockwork" 9.50 Strange Report. 10.40 News. Educational: 9.05 English 5. ... Citizenship 7. 10.00 English 9. ... Science 6. 10.45 French. 11.05 Literature 7-9. 11.25 Maths 5. 12.00 English 10. ... Advice and Guidance 8. 12.40 Technical Drawing 8. 1.00 Biology 9. 1.35 Chess Lesson 12. 4.00 Handiwork. 4.15 English 4.32 Chess-Lesson 12. 4.52 Film. Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "Samy ... Susu." 7.00 Special Religious Programme. 7.20 News and Weekly Magazine.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
455 M.

6.55 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.05 Song Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
458, 523, 256, 353 and 348 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish, 8.00 Ladino Mograbi 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7 a.m. (4th programme and short waves) 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programme); 8.45 (4th programme); 10.00-10.55 (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves) 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 (4th programme); 8.45-9.00 (4th programme); 12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves) 4th Programme — 292, 407, and 445 M. 3rd Programme (short waves) — 19, ... 33, 41 and 38 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

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WALL STREET WEEK

Rally continues on strong signs from Washington

NEW YORK (AP). — The New York stock market kept its new year's rally rolling this week with the aid of strong signs from Washington that the U.S. Government is moving to combat the economic recession.

The Dow Jones Average of 30 industrials climbed 24.25 to 858.79 on top of a 32.38-point rise the previous week.

Standard and Poor's 500-stock average was up 1.90 at 72.61, and the New York Stock Exchange composite index gained 1.22 to 38.57.

At Friday's close the popular averages had reached their highest levels since early November.

The market began the week armed with the news of a half-point cut in the Federal Reserve's discount rate, announced after the previous Saturday's close.

The reduction in the rate the central bank (the "Fed") charges on loans to its member commercial banks was widely viewed as a signal that the central bank was moving aggressively to provide easier and cheaper money in order to stimulate economic activity.

The bank's actions in the short term money markets in the days that followed seemed to bear out that conclusion.

At the same time, expectations were spreading on Wall Street that the Ford Administration would also press to pep up the economy with some strong fiscal measures.

And on Friday, administration officials confirmed that the President had tentatively decided on seeking a $15,000m. cut in personal income taxes.

At the same time, the forces set in motion by the Fed were bringing interest rates down. Three of the nation's largest banks cut their prime lending rates to 10 per cent, and a good many others posted various reductions in the key rate on loans to large corporations.

It all added up to a frenetic day on Friday in the market, with the volume rising more than 13 points and 5.89 million shares — the seventh largest total on record — changing hands on the NYSE.

It appeared the next major test of the market's new-found strength would occur this coming Wednesday, when the Government is expected to announce December's Wholesale Price Index.

In all, 1,670 issues rose and 242 fell among the 2,001 traded on the Big Board. Twenty-eight reached new 1974-75 highs, against 20 new lows.

The NYSE volume averaged 18.05 million shares a day, compared with 17.39 the week before.

Sterling Drug, the week's most active issue, fell 6⅝ to 18¼ on the company's estimate of a 10 per cent decline in its earnings for the fourth quarter of 1974.

Champion Home Builders, the American Stock Exchange's most active issue, was up ½ at 2⅝.

INDIA HITS OIL

NEW DELHI (AP). — Drillers have hit oil in a third exploratory well in the sea off Bombay, raising hopes of a major underwater oilfield for India, reports said yesterday.

Official sources in New Delhi said the third strike will enable the Indian Oil and Natural Gas Commission to draw up reasonably precise estimates of how much oil lies trapped in the area, known as the Bombay High.

Liz Helbo, 21, a sergeant in the Danish army, was unable to fit into her uniform and so was allowed to serve in maternity clothes until she gives birth. She is shown reviewing a line of young soldiers. (Keystone)

Crisis in Eilat tourism

By GEORGE LEONOF
Jerusalem Post Travel Correspondent

The Ministry for Tourism has appointed two committees to look into the various aspects of tourism in Eilat, with a view to making recommendations for the promotion of the industry.

Members of the committees include Ministry officials, and representatives of the Eilat Municipality, hotels and other involved groups.

The decision to conduct the study followed a meeting between the Ministry's director-general, Hanoch Givton, and members of the Eilat Hotel Association, at which the latter pointed out that the current crisis in the Red Sea port's major industry could have grave consequences for the city's economy.

The chairman of the Association, Eli Paposhado, pointed out that a number of undertakings given the hoteliers by the Government which were to have resulted in encouraging tourism there have not been fulfilled. This included the development of an extensive infrastructure for the industry and the construction of an international airport — a project which the Transport Ministry has now postponed indefinitely.

Paposhado noted that Eilat's share of Israel's tourist trade in 1973 was only 6 per cent. At the same time, the number of its hotel rooms have more than doubled in two years, from 770 in August 1972 and 1,130 a year later to a total of 1,700 today.

Mr. Paposhado emphasized that in view of the unfulfilled development plans on the one hand, and the deterioration of tourism on the other hand, "it would not be too much to expect some firm government actions" to help Eilat tourism.

Peltours' new branches

A leading Israel tours and travel company, Peltours, has decided to open two new branches in the capital. The first office has already been installed in the Jerusalem Hilton. The other branch will be to serve participants will be opened in March.

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In line with other Israeli tourist factors, Peltours is intensifying its efforts abroad to promote international gatherings in Israel.

Plan to turn coal into oil

SOCORRO, New Mexico (AP). — Researchers at New Mexico Technological Institute are working on a project that could turn underground bituminous coal deposits into petroleum.

"The process for turning bituminous coal into oil has been around a long time," said Dr. Stirling A. Colgate, Tech. President and project leader. "We think it may be feasible to do it underground and pump the liquefield coal out as petroleum.

"The cost generally has made large-scale production prohibitive," Colgate said. He explained that modern technology "may be available to take advantage of the natural pressure underground in making the conversion.

"If we can complete the transition to petroleum underground, right in the coal seam, it would eliminate the need for an above-ground reactor vessel and turn our deep coal beds into valuable assets. It also would eliminate the hazards of coal mining."

The process for converting coal above ground was developed by Friedrich Bergius, a German Nobel Prize winner, shortly after the turn of the century. It involves squeezing heated coal and hydrogen together at extremely high pressures. The Germans used the process to supplement dwindling petroleum supplies during World War II.

"Bituminous coal is almost solid petroleum. It needs just four or five per cent hydrogen to become liquid," Colgate said.

Arad hotel hit by tourist slump

Hard hit by Israel's current tourism slump, Arad's deluxe four-star Hotel Masada closed last week for the duration of the winter season.

Hotel General Manager Shlomo Avrahami told *The Jerusalem Post* that while a decrease in tourism is normally anticipated for the winter months, December's 27 per cent occupancy was far below the 50 per cent break-even point and projected occupancy for January and February had only reached four per cent and ten per cent respectively.

The hotel, which will reopen the end of February, has asked the Ministry of Tourism to partially defer repayment of its government loan (which the ministry provides to many hotels), but has not yet received an answer. They plan to utilize the next 40 days for making necessary refurbishments in the hotel.

All of Arad's four hotels are experiencing similar difficulties. Until recently several were housing Russian immigrants, but due to the present slump in immigration figures the Ministry of Absorption was forced to terminate the contracts.

Mr. Avrahami observed that since the day the Ein Gedi road (the alternative and most commonly used approach to Masada) opened, tourism in Arad dropped 50 per cent, and called on the Ministry of Tourism to "do something to promote Arad as a tourist centre."

Testimony of State's witness in T.A. murder case

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Criminal Appeals
Before Justices Cohn, Witty and Kahn.

Ovadia Kadourie, Appellant, v. State of Israel, Respondent (Cr. A. 169/74)

The Jerusalem Post LAW REPORT
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STATE'S WITNESS MAY TESTIFY BEFORE DISCHARGE

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court, delivered on April 3, 1974.

The appellant, Ovadia Kadourie, was tried for murder in the Tel Aviv District Court and was found guilty on the strength of the testimony of Rachamim Hajjani, who turned State's witness, after reaching an agreement with the police. In accordance with this agreement Hajjani undertook to make a full confession to the police, cooperate with them in their investigation and testify fully and truthfully in court against Kadourie at trial. The police for their part undertook to charge Hajjani under a separate indictment, keep him in prison until he had testified in the trial against Kadourie and then withdraw the charge against him. The agreement was duly implemented, and Kadourie, Hajjani's partner in crime, was convicted of murder on the strength of Hajjani's testimony, plus corroborating evidence, and sentenced to life imprisonment. The District Court dismissed Kadourie's counsel's argument that Hajjani's testimony was inadmissible since he had been charged with the same offence and had not been sentenced, or had the charges against him dropped, at the time he testified. The court gave as its reason for dismissing the objection to Hajjani's testimony that in accordance with section 139 of the Criminal Procedure Law, 1965, an accused who has not been sentenced may testify against another accused only when both accused have been indicted under one information, whereas Hajjani had been indicted separately from Kadourie.

Section 139 provides that: "Where of several accused persons charged under one information some have admitted facts sufficient to convict them and some have not done so, the court shall not sentence the accused who have made admissions as aforesaid before the hearing of the case of the others is terminated: Provided that where an accused person who has made an admission as aforesaid is called to testify at the trial, whether on behalf of the prosecution or on behalf of the defence, the court shall sentence him, and he shall not testify before he has been sentenced."

In the appeal against the District Court's verdict, Kadourie's counsel argued, inter alia, that the District Court's decision to admit Hajjani's testimony had been erroneous as, in accordance with common law principles, the testimony of one accused against another is inadmissible when both accused have been charged with the same offence, unless the accused whom the prosecution wishes to bring as a State's witness has either been tried or had the charges against him dropped.

Mr. Hagler and Mr. Ron appeared for the appellant and Miss Lewitsky, Assistant State Attorney, for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Kahn, who delivered the main opinion of the Supreme Court, held at the outset that the question of whether Hajjani's testimony had been admissible or not did not hinge on the provisions of section 139, as the District Court had held. That section, he noted, deals with several accused charged under one information, some of whom have admitted the facts and some not, whereas in the case under consideration Hajjani had been charged under a separate information and had not admitted the facts when he was charged. However, he went on to hold, he thought, that the appeal should be dismissed for reasons other than that given by the District Court.

In setting out his reasons for dismissing the appeal, Justice Kahn held, first, that he was not at all sure that common law principles should be applied, in lieu of the provisions of section 139, in the light of the fact that there is an Israeli enactment which deals with the question of competence of witnesses — the Evidence Ordinance (New Version), 1971. In accordance with section 2 of this enactment, he continued, "all persons are competent to give evidence in all cases, subject as provided in sections 3 and 4"; and sections 3 and 4 contain no restrictions against one accused's testifying against his fellow-accused. It would seem, therefore, held Justice Kahn, that since the provisions of section 2 of the Evidence Ordinance are so clear and unambiguous, there was no call for having recourse to the principles of the English common law which deny certain witnesses the competence to testify (see also H.C. 122-73, 2 P.D. 28-273).

Secondly, continued Justice Kahn, even in accordance with the principles of the common law there was nothing disqualifying in the testimony of Hajjani. For the common law rule is that one accused is competent to testify against another accused even if the trial of the first has not ended, as long as both accused have not been charged under the same information (see the leading case, Winsor v. R, 1866, L.R. 1 Q.B.C. 8 and Phipson on Evidence 11th ed. p.606). In short, even in accordance with the common law, Hajjani was competent to testify against the appellant.

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ADUMIM DOUBTS

MA'ALE ADUMIM — midway between Jerusalem and Jericho — was approved by the Cabinet in November as the site of Jerusalem's projected new industrial area. There were some doubts and reservations among ministers as to the timing of the announcement — immediately following the Rabat Arab summit — and as to the scope of the project and the pace of its development. But no minister voted against the decision-in-principle.

The political implications which exist alongside the economic and ecological considerations in the choice of the site were as apparent in November as they are today. It is disturbing, therefore, to find the doubters only now, once the first bulldozers have broken the first clods, arising to contest the decision in practice.

By seeking to challenge from within a decision already ratified, they bring into question the *credibility* of Cabinet decisions and of the authorized Cabinet spokesman, the Minister of Information.

Mr. Yariv announced in November that the Ma'ale Adumim decision had grown out of long and detailed consideration of the alternatives by a special committee under the Attorney-General. It was not to be seen, he insisted, as Israel's hurried or instinctive reaction to the Rabat summit's recognition of the PLO as the sole arbiter of the West Bank's future.

Did the coalition members who are now challenging the decision retroactively nevertheless see it at the time as declaratory, as destined to remain on paper only? That would be a poor testament to the belief of a section of the Government in its own decisions.

The *question of priorities* — which they advance — between Ma'ale Adumim and Galilee — was similarly as pertinent in November as it is today.

Its pertinence, moreover, is surely not as clear-cut as the Ma'ale Adumim doubters would have us believe. Nor can a well-produced television news-documentary, highlighting very real employment problems in Galilee, claim to be journalistically fair by simply pitting the issue against the investment plans for Ma'ale Adumim in a bald either-or relationship.

Guiding industrial investment to Galilee is certainly a high priority, but so are other areas of government spending — defence, housing, schools, hospitals and roads. They cannot all, always, be seen as competing for the same resources, and therefore competing against each other.

Whatever the reasons, it is a fact that some people who are prepared to live, to work, or to invest in Ma'ale Adumim are not prepared to go to Galilee.

The Government, on the other hand, by its strange and almost secretive implementation of the November decision, has laid itself open to doubts and backtracking. If the decision was meant in earnest, then suitable funds should have been allocated for the initial earthwork, and the Prime Minister should not have to come back to the Cabinet — as he reportedly will today — to ask for an allocation. The ministers directly responsible ought not to have asked the World Zionist Organization to make IL1.5 million available to the Lands Authority for the work, as they reportedly did.

Nor ought the Lands Authority have commissioned the JNF to begin the work at its own expense, with the accounts to be settled only in the next fiscal year.

That is not the way a confident administration translates its decisions into action — unless, of course, the Government is seeking by default to reopen the whole question of Ma'ale Adumim.

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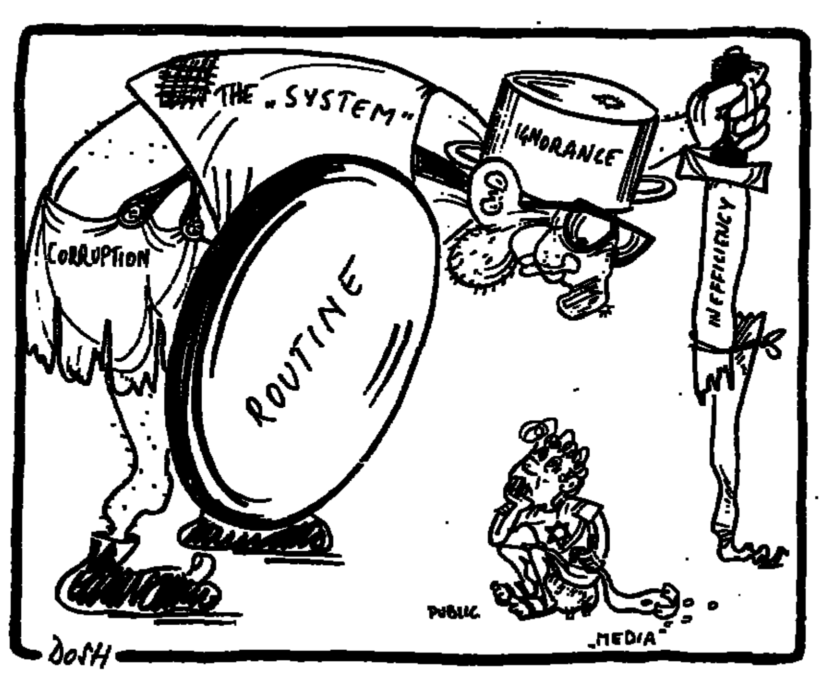

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Egypt's see-saw statements

DAVAR (Histadrut) says that while Foreign Minister Yigal Allon is preparing for a further round of talks in Washington, the Egyptian leaders are sounding off with a round of declarations completely befogging their real intentions. Intransigence and moderation alternate indiscriminately.

In an address before Egyptian scientists Sadat came out against an early reconvening of the Geneva conference, favouring instead continued mediation by Dr. Kissinger. And indeed, following the cancellation of Brezhnev's visit, the way appeared open for negotiations for a further partial settlement in Sinai. Yesterday, however, Sadat once again demonstrated intransigence by announcing that an Israel withdrawal in Sinai must be accompanied by a comparable withdrawal on all other fronts. His minister of war, moreover, began talking of another Yom Kippur-style attack.

Cairo's real intentions are thus impossible to determine for the time being and thus there is no call for new Israeli proposals. Egypt should first clarify what political recompense it is prepared to make in return for the present offers, the paper says. At the same time it stresses that Israel is by no means interested in a standstill, and continues to see room for "meaningful and substantial contacts on the principles it has laid down — *principles which cannot be relinquished.*"

OMER (Histadrut), discussing the Jackson amendment, warns the U.S. not to be taken in by Russian threats to torpedo the recent trade pact with its proviso on Jewish emigration. The Russian intention, says the paper, is to test American willingness to insist on the latter clause to the full. The Soviet's behaviour on this count will be a general indicator of whether *liberalization is in store or whether* there will be a reversion to the cold war.

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CONFERENCE TO OPEN IN HEBRON

Herut tries to forge new image

By Mark Segal
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

THE HERUT PARTY opens its 12th national convention at Kiryat Arba adjoining Hebron tonight.

The venue has already provided more newsworthy material than anything on the agenda with Mapam spearheading an attack on President Ephraim Katzir for his decision to attend. But a presidential refusal to attend would have been more of a political gesture than an acceptance — it is customary for our Presidents to attend all such gatherings.

As for the convention itself, few surprises can be expected. The keynote speech will be delivered as usual by the party's founder and chairman Menahem Begin after opening remarks by Herut Executive Chairman Haim Landau.

Since its last convention, Herut's political role has become more important with the formation of the Likud and its relative success at the 1973 general elections when it returned one third of the seats. Herut occupies a parallel role in the Likud to that of Mapai in Labour though not in absolute majority. They both dominate their broader framework. In the Likud this is due to Mr. Begin's predominant leadership. He is still as firmly in the saddle as ever. Indeed he is the great survivor of Israeli politics and stands out as the only Israeli politician still unchallenged after 26 years of statehood. But then he has always been a shrewd politician and an expert in the fine art of political guerrilla warfare.

Mr. Begin reigns in the Likud because no real issue has put his primacy to the test. If the Labour Party had really wanted a national government, then his position might have come under challenge from the Liberal-State List-Free Centre majority.

Over the years he has controlled Herut by skilfully eliminating likely rivals, whether by party manoeuvres, as with the late Nahum Levin, or by allowing them to overreach themselves and manoeuvre themselves out of the party, as with Ezer Weizman and Shmuel Tamir. The most recent case is Dr. Binyamin Halevi, who has just opted out of Herut after demonstrating a naive faith in his capacity to effect change at the top.

Perhaps the very intransigence of Herut is its strength, for the party goes to conference with a growing sense of self-confidence. The increased membership, especially of young people, indicates that firmness of faith attracts followers at a time when much larger parties seem to be falling apart through indecisiveness.

Of Mr. Begin's original IZL circle, known for years as "the fighting family," only Mr. Landau remains. Many of the middle generation left with Mr. Tamir, but lately there

> 'We don't have a government — only ministers.'

have been some notable returnees, principally economist Yigal Cohen, who has made a reputation for himself as head of the Likud economic brains trust. Another rising figure is party spokesman Eliyahu Ben-Elissar, who holds a Sorbonne Ph.D. in political science.

Thus a new image is slowly being fashioned for Herut. The party is now very much in evidence in all strata, whether in works committees or in the universities. Haim Landau told me that in the past year 7,000 new members joined the party, raising its membership to 50,000, including deserters from the Labour Party. They brought out 10,000 volunteer canvassers for the Likud petition against withdrawing from Judea and Samaria.

Another index of rising strength was last week's vote at the Tel Aviv University Students Union, where the Likud swept the board with Herut students dominating. Mr. Landau refers to broad support among Soviet immigrants, many of whom arrive with copies of Jabotinsky's writings in Russian. Already in 1966 Herut had begun sending ideological material to Jewish activists in the Soviet Union.

Mr. Landau says that the convention will base its deliberations on the reports of preparatory committees. The one on economic policy was chaired by Prof. Arens MK, that on housing by Yoram Aridor, M.K. ("we will urge rental housing schemes"); an anti-poverty plan led by David Levi MK ("it's paradoxical that under a Socialist government so many people are below the poverty line"), with himself chairing the political committee: "We will urge a clear peace policy but no mediators asking for their commission fee... War is not inevitable if we show the Arabs that we are strong and resolute... We have to help boost national morale for the Cabinet Ministers demoralise. No, we don't have a government — only ministers. We will press for a national government and if that is not forthcoming then for new elections."

Haim Landau, who is on the Knesset Defence and Foreign Affairs Committee, is deeply concerned at the government's stance in the coming crucial months. "I can see what's coming and how the Americans will talk. There will first be pressure on the Egyptian front, followed by the Syrian — then American pressure will intensify and they'll say: "If you don't pull back there will be war, followed by another oil embargo. What's your alernative?".

> *Herut has made inroads in strongholds of left-wing youth.*

Mr. Landau rejects the contention that Dr. Halevi's exit indicates that dissent has never been tolerated in Herut. Instead he charges Dr. Halevi with "persistent inconsistencies," noting that whereas he claimed his views were changed by the Yom Kippur War, he was elected to the Knesset on a maximalist platform after the war. He was appointed to all the top party forums despite grumbling from veterans. A month ago he put forward his name as a convention delegate for the Jerusalem branch and was elected, only to walk out.

Turning back to party affairs, Mr. Landau is hopeful of his party's youth and indeed a conversation with Zvi Gutman, 31, spokesman for the Youth Division, indicates Herut's spread among younger people. Most interestingly, Herut has made inroads in traditional left-wing youth strongholds like Tel Aviv's Tichon Hadash High School, which is where David Gitlin, Herut High School Division leader, is a pupil.

Gutman tells of Herut youth form[ing] Nahal settlement groups, wit[h] the Jerusalem branch planning t[o] settle in Maale Adumim.

Some 206 of the 890 delegates a[re] under 35, with one third of th[e] Tel Aviv contingent belonging t[o] the Youth Division (Tel Aviv is [lead]ing 152 delegates).

Gutman is a graduate economi[st] and works at the Israel Aviati[on] Industries. He comes from a [sol]id Labour home and his war exp[e]riences propelled him into politi[cs]. At first he joined "Our Israel," but later opted for Herut, believin[g] that only within parties can an[y]thing be achieved. His Youth Divi[s]ion is going to the conventio[n] with some controversial resolution[s] like merging the Likud parties in[to] one movement and proposing th[at] the Likud set up a "shadow cab[i]net" — an idea which caused M[r.] Begin to attack Mr. Weizman [at] the last convention. But their ma[in] stress will be on internal organ[i]zational changes — they want [to] make Herut into a modern part[y].

The Herut Youth, like Labour's, [is] fairly conformist. There is an add[ed] intimate touch: the Youth Divisio[n] Chairman is lawyer Ronnie Mal[...]kovsky, whose brother is Mr. B[e]gin's son-in-law. However, the youn[g]er Herut leaders differ from L[a]bour's in that the latter are i[n]variably already paid salaries fr[om] the party organization, while t[he] Herut group usually do *not* ea[rn] their living from party work. Th[e] their Central Committee Chairma[n] Michael Kleiner is a Tel Aviv Ci[ty] Councillor and a lawyer by pr[o]fession. Naftali Sinbani, who found[ed] the Hatikva Quarter Drama Troup[e] is an electrical technician, and t[he] Tel Aviv University Students Uni[on] Chairman Yitzhak Avni is stud[y]ing medicine.

READERS' LETTERS

HISTADRUT STAND ON EL AL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With the El Al shutdown seemingly over, it may be worthwhile to reflect on the long overdue stand taken by the Histadrut *towards the maintenance crews.* Did the Histadrut act because it has finally recognized the disastrous consequences of its traditional "worker is king" attitude; or was it merely because the maintenance workers had not bothered to obtain the usual go-ahead from the Histadrut? The El Al pilots are quiet for the time being after effectively pressuring the government into legalizing their old under-the-table arrangement of receiving part of their salaries in pounds sterling while paying taxes on those amounts as if they were Israeli pounds. This cozy arrangement was made further attractive by the recent devaluation which netted them an automatic raise in pay. The pilots' claim that other pilots abroad earn even more is specious at best since this applies to practically any profession in Israel.

Thanks to the policies or non-policies of the Histadrut and government, we have seen created what may be termed an economic and social perversion, a sort of inverse capitalistic discrimination, in which the semi-skilled, less educated and marginally qualified are often able to earn much more than their counterparts who are professionally trained and more qualified. The perversion does not stop here for, as most people know, it is virtually impossible to dismiss a worker regardless how lazy, inefficient or discourteous he may be. The unproductive and slothful are advanced right along with those who take their work responsibilities seriously. The goals and purposes of the Histadrut have been largely subverted and in their place we have witnessed the creation of a monster that threatens our economic structure and basic moral values. But the Histadrut alone is not to blame for this state of affairs. Our government, by its unfair, unrealistic and lax application of tax laws, along with the Histadrut's myopic labour policies and sloganeering, has succeeded in creating a situation in which the average citizen is encouraged, even forced, to ignore and violate existing tax regulations and other statutes. For some it is a matter of economic necessity while for others it has become a means to evade one's responsibilities to the State.

Here we begin to see the real nature of the tragedy that has befallen our country. A nation founded on the highest of ideals, in less than two generations, is being turned into a nation of cheats, liars and embezzlers because of the morally bankrupt policies of our government and Histadrut leadership. Whether we falsify or hide our income, overcharge or illegally raise prices, fill out false travel vouchers, hoard scarce commodities, loaf on the job or cheat on school exams, it makes little difference, for it affects all of us in some way. Those who respect and observe the laws become a dwindling minority regarded by the rest of us as slightly naive. The end has justified the means with yesterday's sins becoming the accepted behaviour of today. And this time we are unable to push the blame on the Arabs, anti-Semitism, the UN or world politics. This tragedy is one hundred per cent of our own making.

ALFRED MILLER
Ramat Hasharon, January 5.

Free bus rides for soldiers

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a citizen who travels some 5,000 kilometres per month along the highways of Israel, I find it difficult to agree with the slogan, "Give a soldier a lift."

Our little country is confronted with countless problems. However, the problem of suitable transportation for our soldiers in the regular army requires a simple solution. The *vast majority of employed people in* this country pay hundreds of Israeli pounds in taxes every month. I have no doubt that all of us would gladly contribute a monthly tax of several pounds in order to enable our soldiers to travel in buses without payment.

Young boys and girls crowd our highways throughout the year. During the winter months, they wait patiently and sometimes impatiently in the pouring rain and *freezing cold. During the summer,* they bake in the intense heat of the sun.

Vehicles stopping suddenly to pick up soldiers are a menace and are undoubtedly responsible for many of the accidents and near accidents which occur daily. The insurance companies of Israel who bear substantial losses due to these accidents would gladly contribute their share to subsidize the free use of buses by soldiers.

Unfortunately, Israel today is not that of 25 years ago. Some of our *female soldiers who readily obtain* lifts by many of our "generous and courteous" drivers are often molested, and there have been incidents of both rape and murder.

Surely this is not a problem which should be bounced about the Knesset for several years, but should be solved as quickly as possible.

ELI COHEN
Haifa, January 5.

El Al is Israel

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I believe that an advertisement placed by our national airline in a foreign journal states the situation quite succinctly: "El Al is not only the airline of Israel; El Al is Israel."

AMMIEL TABORY
Tel Aviv, December 30.

AROUND TOWN — SRAYA SHAPI[RO]

Island of bewildered immigrants

BEIT BRODETSKY in Ramat Aviv is an "absorption home" for new immigrants waiting to get work and learning a little Hebrew in the meantime. It is bordered by a small park which looks rather bare in the winter sun. Across the street there is a shopping centre and an outdoor cafe with multi-coloured plastic chairs.

The "home" is a kind of appartment house, run by the Jewish Agency for newcomers who are believed to be able to secure work in Central Israel. They pay a token rent, they may have lunch for a token price, and attend an ulpan to learn Hebrew for a small sum. Breakfast and supper they prepare for themselves in the little kitchen attached to each flat. The service includes bedding, changed every ten days, says Mordechai ("Motke") Etzioni, the young manager. Those who have no money of their own are given a loan, to be returned when they begin work.

And here the service ends.

"It's not bad at all," a young newcomer from South Africa said. "The trouble begins when you go into town to look for the information you need."

This particular South African, for instance, wanted to know what his chances were of finding work in Safad. Somebody told him there was an office advising immigrants on development towns in the Ministry of Absorption in Rehov Esther Hamalka. He found the office — "well furnished, and a smiling secretary."

"Oh, you want work?" — the secretary smiled. "But that's not here. There's a man who deals specially with work in development towns. He has an office in Ramat Gan. Don't bother to phone him, the line is always busy. Just go to Ramat Gan, you may find him, if he isn't visiting a development town. And he may direct you to the person who actually deals with Safad. No, nothing to be done here."

The South African, a volunteer in the Six Day War, came back here six months ago because, as he says, he could not bear living comfortably as a Jew in South Africa by virtue of the glory gained by Israel in her daily struggle for survival. He felt he had to take part in this struggle himself. But the picture became very blurred when he approached it closely. He simply did not know where to turn.

"We are virtually on an island," a young American couple confessed. They, too, came because they liked the idea of being in Israel. They are waiting for the flat the Jewish Agency had promised them to be ready. The man, an engineer, found work easily enough. "I am American, I am accustomed to look out for myself. But others are often lost in the maze of officialdom and misleading information." In Beit Brodetsky, they meet mostly other new immigrants equally bewildered by the unfamiliar atmosphere. "No wonder some of them go back even before the end of the six month period they are supposed to stay," the young woman, a psychologist, remarked.

There is a "club" at Beit Brodetsky, where Bnai B'rith women volunteers serve tea in the afterno[on] and are ready to chat with the new[]comers on whatever subject th[ey] choose. Of the 180 residents, [...] more than 20 or so are to be fou[nd] in the "club." The volunteers ha[ve] the best intentions, but they gen[e]rally cannot do more than be sy[m]pathetic listeners.

Looked at from the "absorpti[on] home," the outside world seems [to] the newcomer not only unfamili[ar] but also hostile. He cannot concei[ve] that inefficiency and unreasonab[le] attitudes plague veterans as well. [The] newcomer does not know that ea[ch] wave of immigrants had to c[ut] through the jungle of past habi[ts]. How long ago was it that young im[]migrants from Russia were anath[e]mized in Jerusalem because th[ey] staged a theatrical performance? Who remembers today the despicab[le] jeers which greeted the "Yekkes" whose pedantic insistence on civiliz[ed] order appeared excessive to t[he] "Poles" who had preceded them [in] Palestine?

A young newcomer from Russ[ia] who was listening to the conversa[]tion, smiled benignly. "I have [no] such problem," he said. He h[as] relatives in town, he spends his fr[ee] time with them. They are his gui[de] to the unknown. "Why not find a ve[t]eran resident to guide a newcome[r] while he stays in the absorptio[n] home?" Like the foster parents who take paying guests and volun[]teers under their wing?

The "Anglo-Saxons" looked at ea[ch] other and at me. "Yes, why not, i[n]deed? That might be wonderful." Any volunteers?

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